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Super Summer equips student leaders

By Tony Martin
Associate Editor

When Katy Carter, a 10th grader from First Church, Oxford, was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer last year, one of her first questions was, "Will I still get to go to Super Summer?"

"I woke up one morning feeling bad with stomach pains, so my parents took me to the emergency room," Carter said. "An ultrasound showed a tumor, but the doctors first thought it was benign because it was so big. They took it out the next morning, and it was cancer. There were only two other people in the United States with this kind of cancer."

Carter is now in remission, after surgery and chemotherapy. "I was so afraid I wouldn't get to go to Super Summer. That was one of my biggest concerns."

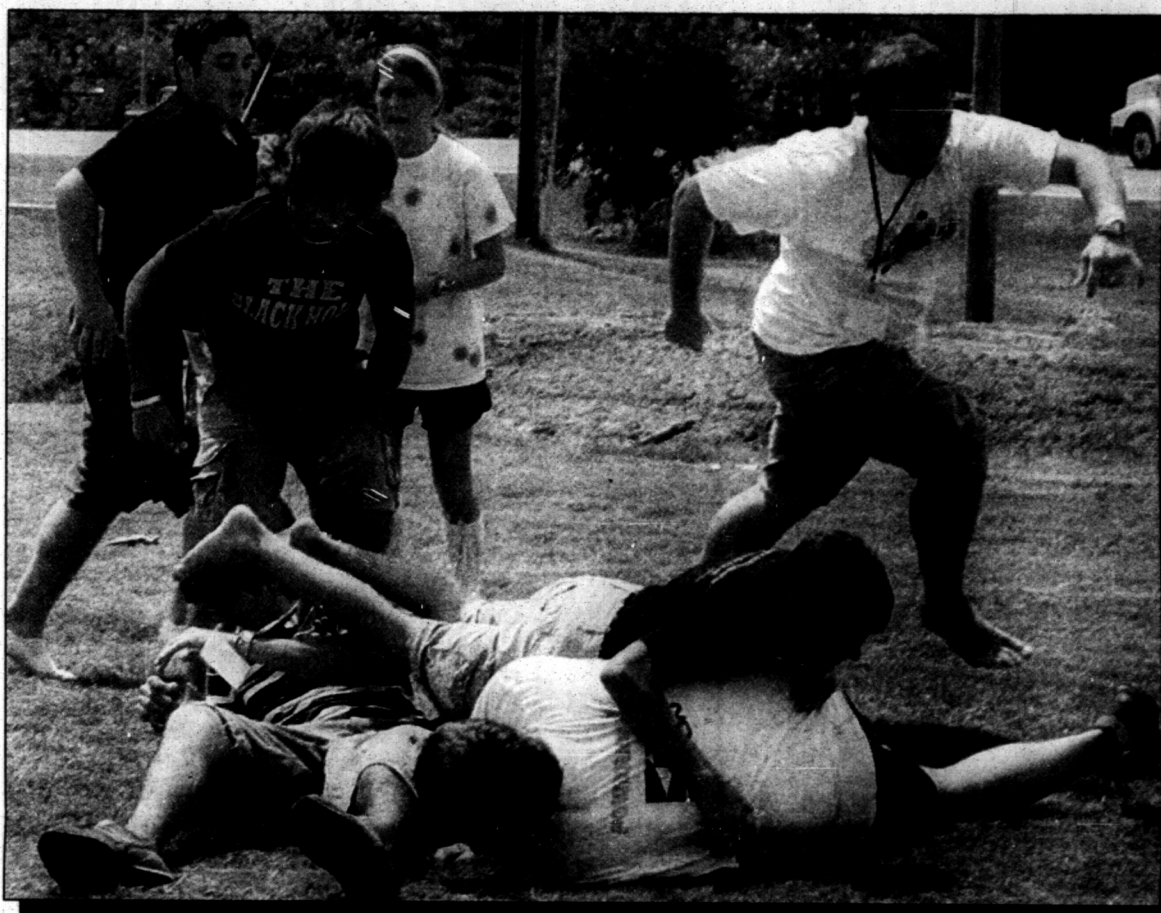
"My mom made me go the first year. I didn't really want to go," she continued. "But it was awesome. I loved it. You learn a lot, you make lifetime friends, and get so close to God."

It's obvious that Super Summer is not your average youth event. Since its inception, this special leadership conference held annually on the campus of Mississippi College in Clinton has attracted the best and the brightest students from Mississippi churches — and even some participants from out of state.

The event, held July 11-15, is sponsored by the Discipleship and Family Ministry Department (D&FM) of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board (MBCB). The five days include intensive training in discipleship and evangelism, punctuated with worship, recreation, and other activities. David Platt, a professor from New Orleans Seminary, was the keynote speaker; Chris Leyton, from Mendenhall, was worship leader.

Sue McAllister, the team leader coordinator and a youth ministry consultant from Tupelo, has been involved in Super Summer since from the earliest days. McAllister and several youth ministers from the state had attended a similar event in Texas and approached the MBCB about the possibility of hosting a similar event in Mississippi. The first Super Summer was held in 1987.

"It's really not a camp," McAllister said. "It's a training conference for the kids who would be the core leaders in the youth group. It's for students who want to impact their campus and community for Christ, who want to be challenged. High school students have to meet certain requirements in order for them to come ... it's not for the whole group, but for the emerging leaders. It's for kids who are thinking globally, who want to know how to witness to their Muslim lab partner."



POPSICLE PUSH-UPS — Students attempt to disengage after completing a "popsicle push-up," one of many challenges faced during recreation at Super Summer, held on the campus of Mississippi College on July 11-15. (BR photo by Tony Martin)

"The actual name of the event is the Mississippi Super Summer Evangelism Leadership School," she continued. "That's pretty descriptive."

Word of mouth has contributed to the success of Super Summer, which attracted 647 students this year. Publicity is geared to leaders in the churches, with the understanding that the week is not for everyone. Youth pastors participating understand this before registering their students.

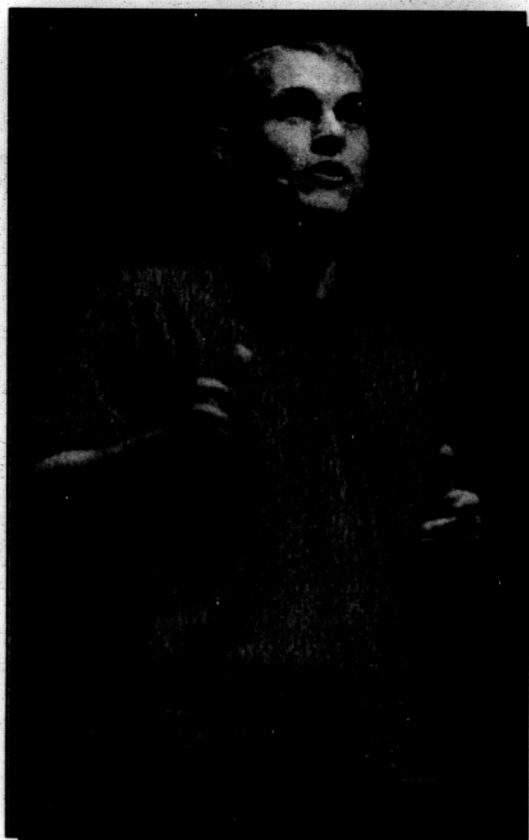
Students that come to Super Summer come to worship. "These kids come with their notebooks and their Bibles," said McAllister. "Our guest leaders are amazed to see these kids come with pen in hand. That's the distinctive — the kids come to worship, to be involved in small group ministry. Another factor is the friendships forged here, because the kids talk so much about deep heart issues. They continue in support groups throughout the year, and continue to be leaders when they're on their college campuses. It's not just a mountaintop experience — it's finding your body life, becoming wide open to whatever God has for you."

Mark Bedwell, youth minister from Calvary Church, Tupelo, is a six year veteran. "I see more consistent changes in our kids from having been here than almost anything else we do," he said. "We advertise it as Bible study, worship, and Bible study. We carry more kids here

than anywhere. They'll do anything to come here — they love spending time with others, they love the Bible study, and they love the worship. We had 51 kids here this year, and every one of them is strong enough to be here. They all had to meet some strict standards to be allowed to come. This is a camp that totally focuses on God, on leadership, and worship. It's the first time we treat students like they are truly disciples of the word of God. We don't treat them like little kids with all games and stuff ... it's a life-changing experience."

Keith Kline, a layperson from First Church, Brookhaven, was equally complementary. "I was a team leader for the Purple School," said Kline. (Students are grouped by age into different "schools," identified by colors. The Purple School was for students who had attended every year they were eligible.) "This was my second year there," said Kline. "The kids come there expecting to grow. They don't come to play or goof off, but they come looking for something amazing to happen. They're there to see God go to work. He just has a way of showing His face when leaders get together."

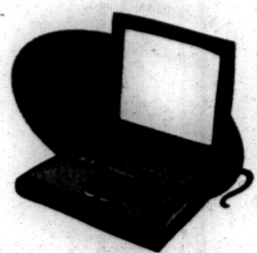
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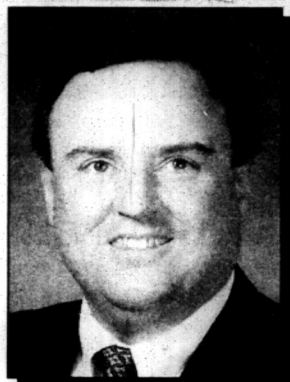
MAKING A POINT — David Platt, professor from New Orleans Seminary, presents biblical truths to the participants at Super Summer 2005. (BR photo by Tony Martin)

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Move over, governor

You may recall that during your semester of Mississippi History in high school, you read how the Mississippi Constitution of 1890 created the governorship as the highest office in the state. If you still believe that is true, however, you are sadly mistaken.

Like the group of corrupt judges in the 1983 movie, *The Star Chamber*, there is a governmental organization in Mississippi that has placed itself above the law, and answers to no one except itself.

That organization is the Board of Trustees of the Institution of Higher Learning, better known by the nickname State College Board.

Members of the State College Board, all of whom are political appointees, have defied the rule of law and insulted the elected representatives of the people by approving on their own authority the teaching of gambling courses at state universities — which is illegal under established state law. They have contemptuously flouted the will of the people and proceeded with plans to use our public universities to teach young people the fine points of gambling management.

What's next? Brothel Administration 101? A masters degree in liquor marketing? Courses in tobacco growing? Don't laugh; twenty years ago, no one would have thought we'd be at this point today.

With the State College Board's enthusiastic backing and a positive ruling from a Hinds County chancery judge (which must be appealed by the state Attorney General Jim Hood by August 17), the state's institutions of higher learning are proceeding with:

- casino management courses at the Gulf Coast campus of the University of Southern Mississippi (USM).



- gambling management courses at Mississippi Valley State University in Itta Bena.

- masters-level degree track in an as-yet undetermined gambling field at Alcorn State University in Lorman.

- consideration of gambling-related courses at Delta State University in Cleveland.

As gambling is a blight on Mississippi, so shall the teaching of gambling courses bring ill repute to the integrity and mission of our state universities. Whenever a new roadway or sewer system or airport renovation is recommended, government leaders have to ask the question, "How will it affect the casinos?" Soon enough, our universi-

ties will have to ask themselves the same question before they make even the smallest decision.

Don't believe it? Then read the quote of Ray Neilson, general manager of the Ameristar Casino in Vicksburg, in the July 24 edition of *The Clarion-Ledger* newspaper: "It is to the gaming industry's advantage to train a workforce in our own backyards." Without a doubt, Neilson's message was not lost on the members of the State College Board and those who walk the halls of administration at our public universities.

We should prepare for the eventual complete takeover of our public universities by the gambling/political complex, much like the gamblers have accomplished with state government and many county and local governments. Legalized gambling has that effect anywhere it is allowed to put down roots.

It's all about the money. It won't be long before we have "AmeriStar Hall" on one of our university campuses, to go along with "Roulette Road," the "Beau Rivage School of Business," and the "Grand Casinos Distinguished Chair of Gaming." Large scholarships for gambling majors will be just a blank check away, if we're willing to sell the souls of our young people.

The State College Board, and the administrations at virtually all of Mississippi's public universities are falling over themselves to get gamblers (and their bottomless bank accounts) on to university campuses — and a little bit of acceptance is all the gambling/political complex needs to move in for a takeover.

It's here, and it's happening every day. Our public universities are merely the latest examples.

The decline of church discipline is perhaps the most visible failure of the contemporary church. No longer concerned with maintaining purity of confession or lifestyle, the contemporary church sees itself as a voluntary association of autonomous members, with minimal moral accountability to God, much less to each other.

The absence of church discipline is no longer remarkable — it is generally not even noticed. Regulative and restorative church discipline is, to many church members, no longer a meaningful category, or even a memory. The present generation of both ministers and church members is virtually without experience of biblical church discipline.

How did this happen? How could the church so quickly and pervasively abandon one of its most essential functions and responsibilities? The answer is found in developments both internal and external to the church.

Put simply, the abandonment of church discipline is linked to American Christianity's creeping accommodation to American culture. As the 20th century began, this accommodation became increasingly evident as the church acquiesced to a culture of moral individualism.

GUEST OPINION:



What happened to church discipline?

By R. Albert Mohler Jr., president
Southern Seminary
Louisville, Ky.

This great shift in church life followed the tremendous cultural transformations of the early 20th century — an era of "progressive" thought and moral liberalization. By the 1960s, only a minority of churches even pretended to practice regulative church discipline. Significantly, confessional accountability and moral discipline were generally abandoned together.

The theological category of sin has been replaced, in many circles, with the psychological concept of therapy. As Philip Reiff has argued, the "Triumph of the Therapeutic" is now a fixture of modern American culture. Church members may make poor choices, fail to live up to the expectations of an oppressive culture, or be inadequately self-actualized — but they no longer sin.

Individuals now claim an enormous zone of personal pri-

vacy and moral autonomy. The congregation, redefined as a mere voluntary association, has no right to intrude into this space. Many congregations have forfeited any responsibility to confront even the most public sins of their members. Consumed with pragmatic methods of church growth and congregational engineering, most churches leave moral matters to the domain of the individual conscience.

The result of this is the loss of the biblical pattern for the church, and the impending collapse of authentic Christianity in this generation. As Carl Laney laments, "The church today is suffering from an infection which has been allowed to fester... As an infection weakens the body by destroying its defense mechanisms, so the church has been weakened by this ugly sore.

The church has lost its power and effectiveness in serving as a vehicle for social, moral, and spiritual change. This illness is due, at least in part, to a neglect of church discipline."

The mandate of the church is to maintain true Gospel doctrine and order. A church lacking these essential qualities is, biblically defined, not a true church. That is a hard word, for it clearly indicts thousands of American congregations who long ago abandoned this essential mark, and have accommodated themselves to the spirit of the age. Fearing lawsuits and lacking courage, these churches allow sin to go unchallenged, and heresy to grow unchecked.

John Leadley Dagg, the author of a well-known and influential church manual of the 19th century, noted, "It has been remarked, that when discipline leaves a church, Christ goes with it." If so, and I fear it must be so, Christ has abandoned many churches who are blissfully unaware of His departure.

Excerpted from part one of a four-part series. For unabridged version, go to <http://www.sbc Baptist Press.org/bpnews.asp?ID=21232>. Mohler's commentary appears courtesy of Baptist Press. For more articles and resources by Mohler, visit www.albertmohler.com.

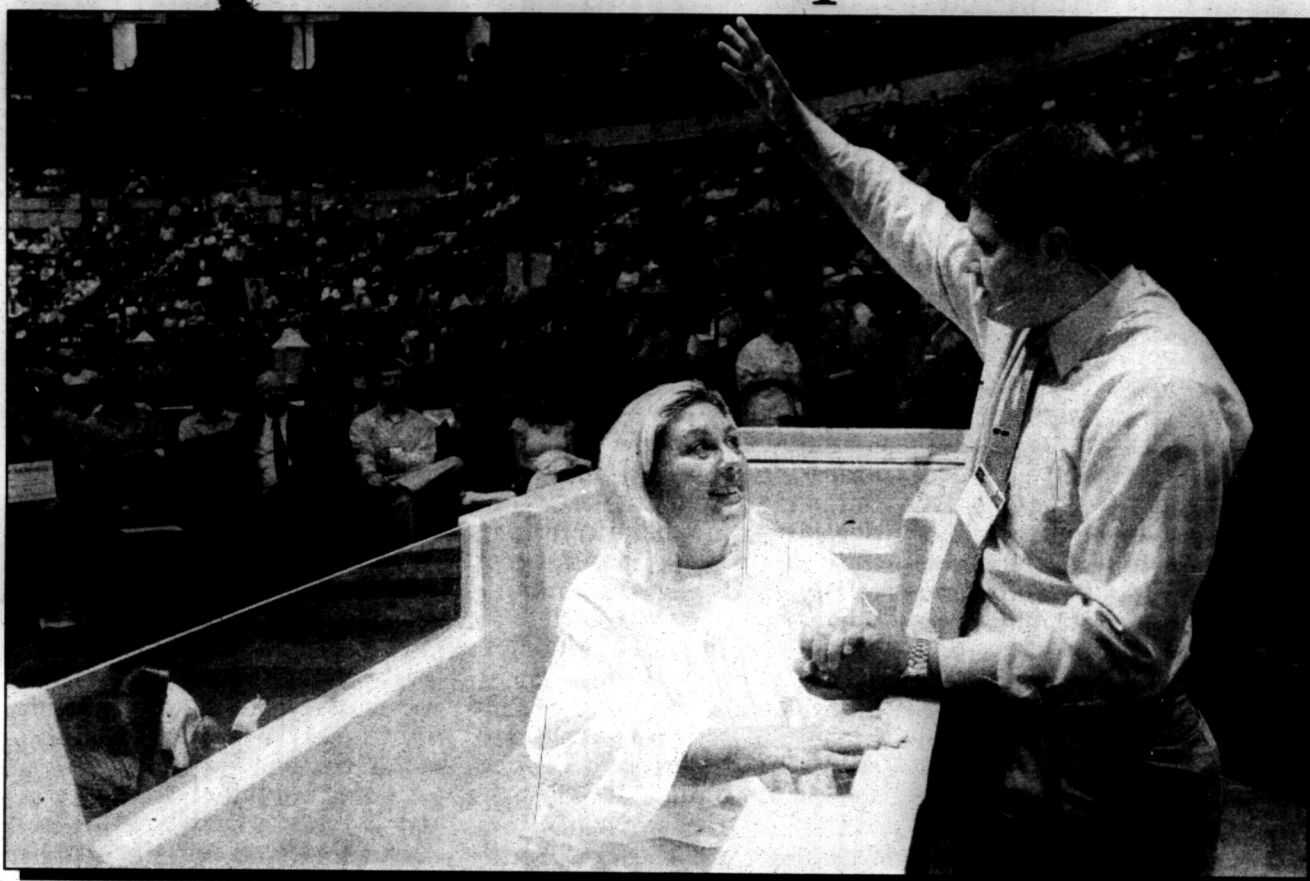
Welch adds associations to baptism effort

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) — Following a successful launch of the Everyone Can Kingdom Challenge at the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) annual meeting in Nashville this summer, SBC President Bobby Welch is urgently challenging each of the 1,188 Baptist associations across the nation to hold two "associational baptism rallies" between Oct. 1 of this year and Sept. 30, 2006.

His focus on local associations is the key to his strategy for accomplishing the goal of witnessing to, winning and baptizing one million people within a year.

"My prayer is that we will have bold, urgent, creative leadership emerge out of every association to have two of these baptismal rallies in that one year and that these rallies will begin to spring up all over the different parts of the country," Welch told Baptist Press July 20, "and when people read about them and hear about them that they too will go and do likewise, and we'll have in the course of 12 months these sparks turn into a raging wildfire of a fresh work for God and Christ across America and around the world," he said.

The associational baptism rallies, as Welch explained, should be a joint effort among all the churches of an association. They should choose a neutral outdoor site at which to hold the rally, and ideally,



TOWARD MILLION BAPTISMS — Phil Gruita (right), pastor of Ivy Memorial Church in Nashville, baptizes Denise Lingefelt on June 21 in the Gaylord Entertainment Center in downtown Nashville as more than 11,000 messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) annual meeting watch and applaud. SBC President Bobby Welch has called on Southern Baptists to baptize one million new believers. (BP photo by Van Payne)

each participating pastor should bring at least one person to be baptized into his church fellowship at the rally. Times of testimonies, singing,

and preaching could accompany the baptisms, according to the desires of each association.

Welch emphasized that the rallies should be held outdoors — unless inclement weather prohibits — so that church members practice getting outside the walls of the church and into the community where people who need Christ roam.

"If we go outside to baptize... the community gets excited and wants to understand what's happening," he said. "The newspaper wants to know, 'What are you doing there? All of these pastors and churches have come together. They're baptizing. What does baptizing mean?' And you will have not only this wonderful opportunity to come together as an association, but you will have a wonderful opportunity to publicly preach the Gospel to your whole area free of charge."

Part of the associational emphasis will be for churches to cluster with each other in

order to pool resources and knowledge, Welch said. For instance, a church that has had a large number of recent baptisms could join up with a church that has been stagnant for a while.

If one church is larger and has more resources, that church's pastor could offer to preach a revival at the sister church or the large church could send over its choir to present a musical one night, Welch said. Some churches within the association may even choose to share Vacation Bible School teams or let church members equipped for sharing the Gospel canvass the neighborhood and find prospects for the smaller congregation, he said.

A DVD of Welch laying out his strategy for the baptism initiative has been filmed, and he hopes one will be mailed to every Southern Baptist pastor by the end of August, he said.



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Study debunked

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) — Disputing recent claims to the contrary reported in the secular news media, researchers Robert Rector and Kirk Johnson have found that, overall, adolescents who make virginity pledges are less likely to engage in any form of sexual activity. Earlier this year, a study by Hannah Bruckner of Yale University in New Haven Conn., and Peter Bearman of Columbia University in New York City, published in *The Journal of Adolescent Health* reported that most teenagers who make pledges to abstain from sex until marriage do not keep their commitments and end up acquiring sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) through risky behaviors at nearly the same rate as those who make no pledge at all. Rector and Johnson, working for the Heritage Foundation, a conservative research and policy think tank, examined the same national survey by the Department of Health and Human Services, using different methods of statistical analysis than those utilized by Bruckner and Bearman. The new results, released in June, show that young people who pledge virginity until marriage have lower rates of STDs and engage in fewer risky sexual behaviors, such as oral sex. "This finding contradicts previous research because the present article describes the behavior of pledgers and non-pledgers as a whole. By contrast, the previous article in the *Journal of Adolescent Health* described risk behavior only among minute sub-groups of pledgers," Rector and Johnson wrote. Richard Ross, co-founder of the True Love Waits abstinence movement, told Baptist Press he fears the Bruckner and Bearman study already has filtered out among abstinence promoters, causing them to question the validity of the method they advocate. Letting false information weaken the resolve of those who promote abstinence among teenagers can have widespread consequences, Ross said. "For two decades, those who embrace 'comprehensive' sex education had unlimited access to the schools and to government funds," he said. "In each of those years, teenage sexual activity, pregnancies, sexually transmitted diseases, and abortions increased. Since True Love Waits came on the scene in 1993, rates of teenage sexual activity, pregnancies, diseases, and abortions have fallen for 12 unbroken years — and yet, the 'comprehensive' crowd tries to say with a straight face, 'Abstinence is not working so we need to be in charge again.'"

Looking back

10 years ago

Danny Spratlin, bivocational pastor of Pleasant Ridge Church, Calhoun Association, is selected as the Mississippi Baptist Convention's Outstanding Small Church Pastor of the Year for 1995.

20 years ago

A 9-foot Baldwin concert grand piano, built for the Governor's Mansion in 1901 and owned by Parkway Church, Jackson, for the past 58 years, is refurbished and donated to Gulfshore Assembly during dedication services at the state campground.

50 years ago

First Church, Columbus, holds a youth-led revival with Johnny Lee Taylor, of Mississippi College, as guest evangelist.

TEMPER YOUR TEMPER

Temper is a strange little mechanism buried down inside of us. I do not know anyone who doesn't have at least some degree of temper yet it seems to come in various sizes and shapes. Some folks seem to have very little temper that rarely if ever expresses itself in anger and emotional disturbance. Others seem to be a walking stick of dynamite with a short fuse. Babies are born with tempers, and it doesn't take very long to see it expressed.

Temper can be terrific. I believe that is why God gave us our tempers. There are moments when temper brings about a reaction or response that brings good results and great blessings. You may have seen a sports team play a bad game and be embarrassed, even humiliated, and get so angry about the situation that they determine not to let it happen again. They play the next game with an intensity that makes you wonder who these people are. On a much higher plane there are times when temper can respond to an injustice that has been done, a hurt that is unwarranted, or an innocence that has been violated. I suppose at these times we would describe the response as righteous indignation, and the results is the overwhelming response during a crisis or a war to counter evil.

On the other hand **temper can be terrible.** When you think about it a man's temper resulted in anger that brought about the first death ever recorded. Amazingly, a man left worship and was so angry at his brother, at God, and at the world that rather than doing right he did wrong and destroyed his brother, Abel. It was probably his temper that brought about the action of disobedience that kept Moses from going into the Promise Land. It was an outburst of anger that brought Peter to draw his sword and cut off a man's ear when it was not the intent of God to do that.

Temper can and often does irreversible damage. In our world it does not take long to see the damage whether it is displayed in a relationship

between a husband and wife or in someone who goes into a rage traveling down the street. It can be damage that can never be undone. Thank goodness that God in His grace provides for most of us to have a temper, even to make wrong decisions, and have outbursts that in time we can reverse, rectify, and begin to rebuild what we almost ruined.

Not long ago I was talking to a lady in one of our churches, and she was telling me how she broke her leg a few years ago. After going to the doctor and having a cast put on her leg, she came home on crutches. She was angry and did not like the fact that she had broken her leg and was now having to hobble around on crutches. On the first day of trying to get around on crutches, she got so mad at the crutches that she let her temper get the best of her. She kicked her own crutches, fell, and broke her other foot. Now, I will be honest with you. I could not contain myself to keep from laughing at her, and after some years of healing and restoration she can laugh at herself. How many of us have kicked our own crutches out from under us because of our temper only to find out that instead of having one thing broken we have two or three things broken? Temper can be terrible!

I think the most important thing to keep in mind is that our **temper needs taming.** I am convinced that it cannot be controlled simply because of our desire to do it. It takes a work of God in our hearts and a God understanding of life in order to manage the outbreaks of anger that we see as temper. Paul said in Ephesians 4:26, "Be ye angry and sin not. Let not the sun go down upon your wrath." He encourages us to bring our temper under control and to deal with it so that it will not be

Directions

Jim Futral, executive director-treasurer
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Why not take a moment even now and pray, "Lord Jesus, I need your help today. There are people that I live and work around who seem to be on a mission to push my buttons and set me off. I need your help today for some of them drive on the same roads that I do. Although I may not know who they are, they irritate me, and I ask you to help me manage my temper. Lord, I need your help today for there are some people that call me on the phone or work in the store where I go that just cause me to get sideways, and I recognize that I do not need to do that. Lord, if I get angry today may it be because something has offended You rather than hurt me. If I express my temper today may it be because I am willing to take up the cause for someone else who has been injured and mistreated rather than being offended for my own personal hurts. Lord, I believe you will walk with me, and I ask you to lead me through this day and to help me temper my temper. Amen!"

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YOU CAN RESPOND
RIGHT NOW!

Simply share the following prayer with God in your own words:

1. Lord, I admit that I need you. (I have sinned.)
2. I want forgiveness for my sins and freedom from eternal death. (I repent.)
3. I believe Jesus died and rose from the grave to forgive my sins and to restore my relationship with you. (I believe in Jesus.)
4. By faith, I invite Jesus Christ into my life. From this time on, I want to live in a loving relationship with Him. (I receive Christ as my Savior and Lord.)

"But as many as received him, to them he gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in his name." (John 1:12)

If you make a decision for Jesus Christ today, contact a local Baptist church for spiritual guidance.

STAFF CHANGES



Stockstill

Fellowship Church, Starkville, welcomed their new pastor, Dustin B. Stockstill, on July 1. Stockstill comes from Bethel, Poplarville, and comes with his wife Kelly and daughter Katherine Grace.

Kevin Hurt is called as Minister of Education and Administrator of **First Church, Vicksburg**, effective June 28. He comes from First, Cullman, Ala., and is joined by his wife Amy and two sons, Andrew and Ethan.

Shane Evetts is called as youth pastor to **Wheeler Grove Church, Alcorn County**.



Evetts

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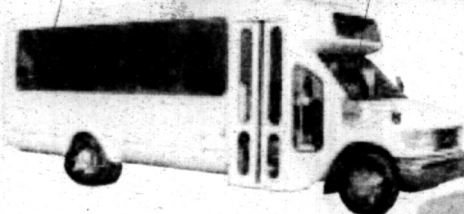
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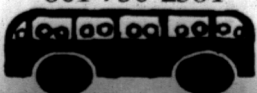
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"If we will make use of prayer to call down upon ourselves and others those things which will glorify the name of God, then we shall see the strongest and boldest promises of the Bible about prayer fulfilled. Then we shall see such answers to prayer as we had never thought were possible."

O Hallelsey

For: (1) School Prayerwalk/Teacher Appreciation (WMU Emphasis); (2) A church in Kentucky is sending a team of 11 to Malta to do outreaches and children's festivals, as well as distribution and follow up in their "adopted" village of Rabat. Pray for safety, "divine appointments" and a great harvest!

For: (1) Language Day Emphasis (WMU Emphasis); (2) Social Issues Emphasis (CAC Emphasis); (3) Pray for Egyptian Christians to be called out to minister to the Beja of Egypt. (4) Pray for student volunteer Aaron as he surveys Hausa villages of Niger Republic. He is staying out in the bush for extended lengths of time.

For: (1) CentriKid, Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, 1st - 5th (LCR/SBC); (2) Football Camp, Central Hills, 1st - 5th (MM); (3) Pray for President Amadou Touré of Mali (western Africa).

Bobby Gilstrap, director of missions for the Huron and South-eastern Association in Michigan, is praising the Lord for 35 students from the Baptist Student Union at Univ. of Michigan who sacrificed their spring break to work with him to reach the lost with the gospel by distributing light bulbs. The students also handed out N.T.s.

Give thanks to the Lord for the new team members, ISC workers, James and Rhonda Renot, going to work in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of The Congo. They plan to arrive in August with their two-year-old daughter. Pray for them as they say good-byes to their family and friends. Ask for a quick adjustment to living and working in Kinshasa.

Pray that Baptist representatives Steve and Celeste Brubaker would be able to start a German-language Bible study in Chemnitz, Germany. Intercede that the Lord would bring them into contact with a "person of peace" who would host the study and who would be instrumental in providing contacts with other interested Germans.

For: (1) Baptist Building STAFF AT HOME DAYS, 3rd - 5th; (2) Pray for Mr. E, a Baptist leader committed to church planting in two districts near Bangalore, India, and for those who work with him as Baptist representatives partners in these two districts. Pray that he will be able to start a Church Planting Movement in these districts.

Bill Hermistone, Bellingham, Mass., is a tentmaker missionary in New England asking God to bring revival, and to work through the body of Christ there for His glory. Pray for the people to be equipped for service and for open doors to minister to local communities.

For: (1) Campers on Mission, Central Hills, 4th - 6th (MM); (2) Andy Weems, Dayton, Ohio is the metro director of Crosswalk Collegiate Ministries, which ministers to five university campuses in the Dayton area. Please pray for student leaders and for volunteer missionaries to help staff this ministry.

For: (1) New Staff Day, FBC, Jackson, Baptist Building, 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. (CC); (2) AMD Update Meeting, FBC, Jackson, 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. (MS); (3) Please pray today for Prime Minister Abdullah bin Ahmad Badawi of Malaysia (southeastern Asia).

For: (1) Flakes Formula for the Future, Longview Heights BC, Olive Branch, 6:30 p.m., 29th - noon, 30th (SS); (2) Mary C. Reagan, Franklin, N.C., serves as a chaplain. Please pray for Mary in the loss of her husband, Carl, on March 28, 2005. The Lord called him home while they were on mission at the Jacksonville Port Ministries at Blount Island, Fla.

For: (1) Flake's Formula for the Future, Ridgecrest BC, Madison, 5th - 6th (SS); (2) Preschool/Children/Youth Leadership Clinic, Crossgates BC, Brandon, 5th - 6th (CM); (3) Please pray for President Branko Cvetkovikii of Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (southeastern Europe, north of Greece).

Pray for missionaries Michael and Teresa Browning, in language school in Costa Rica. They are in the last full month of language study and are preparing for their ministry in Trento, Uruguay. Pray for a good transition from language training to ministry formation as they move into a different home and as their two children make the transition to home schooling.

Lujan, located 45 minutes from downtown Buenos Aires, is named for the patron saint of Argentina. The local Baptist church has an evangelistic heart for these people and ministers to them in many ways. In May, the JESUS film was shown to more than 1,000 people, with more than 100 people accepting Jesus as Savior. Pray for these Christians as they are disciplined in the Lord.

2005 MEN'S MINISTRY STATE LEADERSHIP TRAINING - AUGUST 12-13

Schedule

Friday, August 12

- 6:00 p.m. Registration
- 6:30 p.m. Supper
- 7:30 p.m. Opening Session - Acts 1:8
Speaker: David Michel
- 8:30 p.m. Training Session #1

Saturday, August 13

- 7:00 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:00 a.m. Training Session #2
- 9:30 a.m. Training Session #3
- 11:00 a.m. Closing Session -
Letting Missions Touch Your Life
Speaker: James Young
missionary to Bangladesh

Cost

\$25 per person, which includes meals, lodging, and all sessions. Each participant should bring linens, sleeping bag and pillow.

Training Sessions

DISASTER RELIEF

- Introduction to Southern Baptist Disaster Relief
- Survey of Chainsaw, Clean-up, and Sheltering

MEN'S WORK

- Men's Fraternity
- Designing an Acts 1:8 Men's Ministry

- Building an Effective Leadership Team
- Preview of Leading Baptist Men on Mission
- Life Changing Ministries and Missions

ROYAL AMBASSADORS AND CHALLENGERS

- Update and Overview of RA Work
- Maximizing Weekly RA Meetings

Registration Form

Men's Ministry State Leadership Training
August 12-13, 2005

Name _____
Address _____
Phone Number(s) _____
Church _____

Mail form and payment to: Men's Ministry Department, PO Box 530, Jackson MS 39205-0530.
Please make checks payable to: Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.
For more info call the Men's Ministry Department at 1-800-748-1651 or 601-292-3334.

The following is a listing of contributions made to the Lord's work which were processed through the Business Office of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board from January 1, 2005, through June 30, 2005. An "*" denotes a gift from the association. If you have any questions about the amounts reported for your church, please contact the Business Office at 601-968-3800 or 1-800-748-1651.

	COOP PROGRAM	OTHER	TOTAL
ADAMS			
*ASSOCIATION	0.00	500.00	500.00
CALVARY	1,144.42	4,540.27	5,684.69
CLIFF TEMPLE	9,330.16	3,987.27	13,317.43
CRANFIELD	930.15	2,151.31	3,081.46
FBC NATCHEZ	53,461.90	60,965.34	114,427.24
HIGHLAND	14,131.17	12,602.47	26,733.64
IMMANUEL	7,105.59	8,866.00	15,971.59
MORGANTOWN	10,084.31	5,524.04	15,608.35
NEW HOPE	289.18	481.85	771.03
PARKWAY	35,501.77	25,799.69	61,301.46
SPRINGFIELD	2,072.00	2,118.00	4,190.00
STANTON	8,143.46	6,982.11	15,125.57
WASHINGTON	7,588.53	2,041.41	9,629.94
TOTAL	149,982.66	137,481.15	287,463.81
ALCORN			
ANTIOCH	2,633.79	5,842.65	8,476.44
BETHLEHEM	2,226.40	5,365.98	7,592.38
BRUSHCREEK	195.52	577.50	773.02
CALVARY	2,566.12	3,585.19	6,151.31
COUNTY LINE	7,000.00	5,182.00	12,182.00
DANVILLE	384.58	833.59	1,218.17
EAST CORINTH	3,800.63	1,985.10	5,785.73
FBC BIGGERSVILLE	2,987.96	3,741.59	6,729.55
FBC CORINTH	106,262.04	27,803.02	134,065.06
GLENDALE	4,873.31	7,719.74	12,593.05
HOLMES	3,038.05	6,296.55	9,334.60
HOLLY	4,200.88	9,667.23	13,868.11
JACINTO	612.88	720.17	1,333.05
KEMPS CHAPEL	720.62	1,188.62	1,909.24
KENDRICK	379.20	884.80	1,264.00
KOSUTH FIRST	1,876.80	3,281.05	5,157.85
LIBERTY HILL	1,183.00	421.00	1,604.00
LOVE JOY	489.59	1,615.98	2,105.57
NORTH CORINTH	0.00	350.00	350.00
OAKLAND	49,905.44	42,665.84	92,571.28
REDCREST	1,720.15	4,190.15	5,910.30
RIENZI	4,032.57	12,478.40	16,510.97
SHILOH	7,346.65	5,415.58	12,762.23
SOUTH CORINTH	600.00	1,375.00	1,975.00
TATE	35,062.02	36,504.51	71,566.53
TISHOMINGO CHAPEL	4,210.56	3,588.15	7,798.71
USC LOMBIA	1,320.33	1,320.33	2,640.66
UNION	2,424.79	1,961.25	4,386.04
UNITY	294.60	1,029.75	1,324.35
WEST CORINTH	6,138.98	7,599.33	13,738.31
WHEELER GROVE	53,802.91	10,465.02	64,267.93
TOTAL	306,003.73	219,649.22	525,652.95
ATLANTA			
*ASSOCIATION	0.00	600.00	600.00
BEAR CREEK	1,093.00	573.00	1,666.00
BEREA	1,819.20	2,763.72	4,582.92
BOWLIN	181.93	453.86	635.79
CARSON RIDGE	75.00	225.00	300.00
CENTER	305.00	405.00	710.00
COUNTY LINE	2,055.00	3,321.32	5,376.32
DOTY SPRINGS	1,139.00	1,171.53	2,310.53
Ebenezer	6,567.00	1,895.00	8,462.00
ETHEL	6,567.00	1,895.00	8,462.00
FBC KOSCIUSKO	88,896.03	104,956.25	193,852.28
HURRICANE	1,277.34	1,377.34	2,654.68
IRUSALEM	1,113.62	5,940.42	7,054.04
MACADAMS	3,589.53	6,337.55	9,927.08
MCCOOL	5,913.26	5,889.97	11,803.23
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NEW HOPE	664.45	901.55	1,566.00
NEW SALEM	394.60	71.40	466.00
NORTH UNION	5,498.23	9,124.38	14,622.61
PARKWAY	739.00	3,402.00	4,141.00
PILGRIMS REST	100.00	0.00	100.00
PLEASANT RIDGE	0.00	50.00	50.00
PROVIDENCE	3,300.00	8,206.63	11,506.63
SALLIS	2,175.48	2,000.00	4,175.48
SAND HILL	1,287.33	1,480.31	2,767.64
SECOND KOSCIUSKO	2,847.60	2,755.90	5,603.50
SPRINGDALE	1,331.00	1,761.00	3,092.00
UNITY	17,615.65	16,497.41	34,113.06
WILLIAMSVILLE	594.32	1,499.32	2,093.64
YOCKAMOOKANY	404.58	4,253.15	4,657.73
TOTAL	149,233.06	194,204.72	343,437.78
BENTON-TIPPAH			
*ASSOCIATION	0.00	460.00	460.00
ACADEMY	2,502.61	5,167.54	7,670.15
ASHLAND	10,932.30	13,697.30	24,629.60
BLUFF SPRINGS	1,816.00	1,862.00	3,678.00
CALVARY	150.00	200.00	350.00
CANAN	350.00	380.00	730.00
COMMUNITY	1,526.96	763.48	2,290.44
CONCORD	1,200.00	2,229.50	3,429.50
DRY CREEK	350.04	1,045.64	1,395.68
DUMAS	20,429.73	16,358.44	36,788.17
FAITH-BENTON	1,872.40	3,880.66	5,753.06
FAITH-TIPPAH	2,007.43	495.68	2,503.11
FALKNER	11,254.93	9,842.28	21,097.21
FBC HICKORY FLAT	3,071.14	3,480.00	6,551.14
FBC RIPLEY	48,000.00	32,031.71	80,031.71
FELLOWSHIP	4,747.54	4,747.54	9,495.08
FLAT ROCK	1,244.68	2,583.58	3,828.26
HAMILTON	1,183.65	706.00	1,889.65
HARMONY	10,748.23	19,588.60	30,336.83
LEBANON	150.00	0.00	150.00
LOWERY MEMORIAL	6,009.42	8,534.69	14,544.11
MACEDONIA-DEANTN	1,000.00	1,328.00	2,328.00
MT HEBRON	520.00	800.00	1,320.00
MT MORIAH	1,122.00	2,454.00	3,576.00
MT OLIVE	1,570.43	479.09	2,049.52
NORTH RIPLEY	479.17	1,463.51	1,942.68
OAKLAND	1,538.13	3,127.70	4,665.83
PALMER	3,622.83	6,054.72	9,677.55
PEOPLES	992.00	1,842.00	2,834.00
PINE GROVE-DUMAS	4,349.80	1,581.31	5,931.11
PINE GR-HICKORY FLAT	4,066.44	4,081.95	8,148.39
PLEAS HILL ASHLAND	0.00	1,210.00	1,210.00
PLEAS HILL TIPPLESVILLE	1,520.38	1,795.03	3,315.41
PROVIDENCE	2,526.83	2,820.08	5,346.91
SHADY GROVE	1,780.72	1,172.30	2,953.02
SPRINGDALE	11,512.59	6,867.00	18,379.59
TIPPLESVILLE	685.56	555.38	1,240.94
UNITY	3,820.76	4,487.64	8,308.40
WEST RIPLEY	18,759.77	17,621.65	36,381.42
WHITTERTOWN	1,099.27	2,361.94	3,461.21
TOTAL	189,613.94	191,823.67	381,437.61
CALHOUN			
*ASSOCIATION	0.00	3,327.00	3,327.00
ANTIOCH	300.00	520.00	820.00
BANNER	3,493.15	4,887.12	8,380.27
BENTLEY	0.00	825.00	825.00
BETHANY	6,300.00	16,108.50	22,408.50
BIG CREEK	1,874.52	6,383.44	8,257.96
BRADFORD CHAPEL	544.28	4,925.57	5,469.85
CALVARY	2,022.43	1,211.21	3,233.64
COLLEGE HILL	2,584.50	6,302.38	8,886.88
CONCORD	11,170.11	6,697.03	17,867.14
DERMA	200.00	1,700.00	1,900.00
DRIVERS FLAT	1,135.00	0.00	1,135.00
DUNHAM HILL	1,240.10	2,319.10	3,559.20
ELLARD	27,520.00	18,318.53	45,838.53
FBC BRUCE	28,590.00	17,152.47	45,742.47
FBC RITTSBORO	4,783.00	4,799.16	9,582.16
FBC VARDAMAN	16,720.36	11,098.33	27,818.69
GRACE SO BAPTIST	660.00	2,181.00	2,841.00
LANTRIP	1,720.54	860.27	2,580.81
MACEDONIA	1,688.84	2,320.21	4,009.05
MIDWAY	865.98	3,220.24	4,086.22
MT CONFORT	2,794.44	1,382.24	4,176.68
MT MORIAH	4,985.75	2,705.00	7,690.75
MT TABOR	300.00	300.00	600.00
NEW HOPE	1,023.62	1,018.50	2,042.12
NEW LIBERTY	2,019.29	2,019.29	4,038.58
NEW PROVIDENCE	1,188.92	4,815.17	6,004.09
OAK GROVE	138.10	68.55	206.65
OLDTOWN	3,107.04	3,974.76	7,081.80
PARKER	11,387.00	924.68	12,311.68
PILGRIMS REST	219.78	219.78	439.56
PLEASANT GROVE	79.20	176.94	256.14
PLEASANT HILL	5,755.29	5,960.80	11,716.09

	COOP PROGRAM	OTHER	TOTAL
PLEASANT RIDGE	1,899.54	2,966.35	4,865.89
POPULAR SPRINGS	680.10	763.06	1,443.16
ROCKY BRANCH	1,040.42	2,025.93	3,066.35
ROCKY MOUNT	740.45	997.33	1,737.78
SABOUGLA	4,284.59	4,486.28	8,770.87
SAREPTA	498.00		1,244.00
SHILOH	832.14	7,083.60	7,915.74
SPRING HILL	838.04	1,169.03	2,007.07
TURNER CREEK	62.00	879.70	941.70
WESTSIDE	1,564.20	736.27	2,300.47
TOTAL	160,021.69	151,529.12	311,550.81
CARROLL			
BLACK HAWK	251.15	.00	251.15
CALVARY	1,175.13	1,991.64	3,166.77
CARROLLTON	28,989.65	21,448.00	50,437.65
CENTERVILLE	311.05	438.00	749.05
COILA	150.00	150.00	300.00
HARMONY	155.33	155.33	310.66
HICKORY GROVE	337.20	512.20	849.40
HILLVIEW	597.85	1,870.29	2,468.14
LIBERTY	3,334.36	6,020.59	9,354.95
MALMAISON	1,951.32	5,661.28	7,612.60
MCCARLEY	1,495.00	1,062.00	2,557.00
MT OLIVE	7,861.28	7,913.94	15,775.22
MT PISCAGH	4,868.74	6,699.52	11,568.26
NEW BETHEL	1,546.62	3,810.18	5,356.80
NORTH CARROLLTON	7,031.70	14,901.90	21,933.60
PROVIDENCE	4,301.23	4,671.89	8,973.12
SHILOH	3,165.00	1,655.00	6,330.00
VAIDEN	16,400.35	25,989.15	42,389.50
VALLEY HILL	930.00	1,946.00	2,876.00
TOTAL	84,852.96	108,406.91	193,259.87
CHICKASAW			
AMITY	1,230.60	919.12	2,149.72
ARBOR GROVE	2,327.50	3,233.75	5,561.25
BETHEL	2,041.27	1,050.43	3,091.70
CARNATION	809.74	400.00	1,209.74
FBC HOUKIA	8,397.79	6,237.00	14,634.79
FBC HOUKIA	52,652.91	13,298.64	65,951.55
FBC OKOLONA	20,182.00	8,523.05	28,705.05
FELLOWSHIP		270.00	270.00
MCCONDY	587.00	1,012.00	1,599.00
MT OLIVE	565.28	1,291.00	1,856.28
NEW PROSPECT	720.00	250.00	520.00
PARKWAY	6,989.64	10,913.83	17,903.47
PLEASANT GROVE	1,144.00	2,882.00	4,026.00
PLEASANT RIDGE	900.00	155.00	1,055.00
SHILOH	7,157.36	3,393.85	10,551.21
VAN VLEET	1,050.00	695.00	1,745.00
TOTAL	106,305.09	54,526.67	160,831.76
CHOCTAW			
ACKERMAN	15,487.50	13,778.57	29,266.07
BETHLEHEM	250.00	200.00	450.00
BLUFF SPRINGS	150.00	600.00	750.00
BUCKY CREEK	4,080.00	3,862.50	7,942.50
CHESTER	7,991.65	5,360.55	13,352.20
CONCORD	467.19	1,370.39	1,837.58
CROSS ROADS	741.82	773.62	1,515.44
FELLOWSHIP	2,361.27	1,564.36	3,925.63
FRESH	485.00	560.00	1,045.00
FRESH CAMP	2,614.25	3,069.67	5,683.92
MT MORIAH	1,648.28	1,550.00	3,198.28
MT PISCAGH	1,953.54	10,227.09	12,180.63
NEW HAVEN	1,561.96	4,301.22	5,863.18
NEW ZION	2,031.44	1,743.27	3,774.71
PROVIDENCE	1,700.00	1,700.00	3,400.00
VICTORY	3,127.18	2,563.16	5,690.34
WEIR	6,872.74	6,977.83	13,850.57
TOTAL	52,623.82	59,810.23	112,434.05
CLARKE			
ANTIOCH	510.83	427.80	938.63
BUCATUNNA	2,138.87	2,286.88	4,425.75
CALVARY	1,454.27	1,542.00	2,996.27
CENTER RIDGE	150.00	282.40	432.40
DE SOTO	3,709.00	4,888.14	8,597.14
EAST PLEASANT GROVE	150.00	1,566.00	1,716.00
ELIM	1,509.00	1,165.12	2,674.12
ENTERPRISE	15,527.98	17,595.52	33,123.50
FBC OUT	1,451.62	29,100.00	30,551.62
FBC STONEWALL	8,363.76	7,800.74	16,164.50
HARMONY	2,185.39	1,755.11	3,940.50
HEBRON RIDGE	505.94	1,599.96	2,105.90
HEPHZIBAH	1,223.21	3,112.68	4,335.89
KNOX'S VALLEY	1,000.00	1,150.00	2,150.00
MCINTOSH	1,403.00	1,186.00	2,589.00
MT ROSE	1,305.04	3,482.10	4,787.14
MT ZION	783.45	614.00	1,397.45
NORTHUPR CHAPEL			
OAK GROVE	3,339.84	4,172.28	7,512.12
PACHUTA	1,535.59	1,860.00	3,395.59
PIKE	1,000.00	81.45	1,081.45
PINE GROVE	3,329.00	3,954.00	7,283.00
PINE HILL	3,023.97	3,538.58	6,562.55
PLEASANT HILL	7,140.91	9,555.55	16,696.46
RIVERSIDE	64.00	481.82	545.82
ROLLING CREEK	6,584.91	1,285.50	7,870.41
SABALITA	5,960.15	9,073.00	15,033.15
SOULENVOIE	3,451.18	5,000.96	8,452.14
UNION	8,833.47	14,641.49	23,474.96
TOTAL	120,359.24	125,207.42	245,566.66
COPIAH			
ANTIOCH	1,719.57	1,010.00	2,729.57
BETHEL	4,156.00	4,701.18	8,857.18
COUNTY LINE	300.00	2,863.96	3,163.96
DAMASCUS	268.99	787.15	1,056.14
FBC CRYSTAL SPRINGS	56,075.51	47,193.60	103,269.11
FBC FAIRHURST	11,666.69	20,400.00	32,066.69
GAILLE	100.00	400.00	500.00
GALLMAN	1,200.00	2,703.99	3,903.99
GATESVILLE	1,568.69	1,045.76	2,614.45
GEORGETOWN	4,391.92	8,792.17	13,184.09
HARMONY	25.00	15,329.09	15,354.09
HAYWARD	1,102.60	1,402.00	2,504.60
HOPEWELL	2,228.30	3,673.91	5,902.21
NEW PROVIDENCE	1,937.00	8,550.00	10,487.00
NEW ZION	7,071.95	1,031.39	18,103.34
PEARL VALLEY	1,832.50	2,917.50	4,750.00
PILGRIMS REST	12,470.43	9,107.67	20,578.10
PIKE BLUFF	1,000.00	1,475.00	2,475.00
POPULAR SPRINGS	281.00	728.42	1,009.42
ROCKY HILL	684.00	566.00	1,250.00
SARDIS	1,150.02	4,559.64	5,709.66
SHADY GROVE	428.40	6,035.56	6,463.96
SHILOH	100.00		643.96
SPRING HILL	1,615.34	1,520.50	3,135.84
STRONG HOPE	9,855.00	7,445.51	17,300.51
SYLVARENA	3,910.00	1,877.25	5,787.25
WESTSIDE	12,590.06	6,211.55	18,801.61
WYOMING	83.10		83.10
ZIPPER HILL	6,000.00	11,500.00	17,500.00
TOTAL	147,030.07	183,208.56	330,238.63
COV-IEFF DAVIS			
* ASSOCIATION	.00	1,301.66	1,301.66
ANTIOCH	980.86	835.00	1,815.86
BETHLEHEM	3,252.02	5,770.00	9,022.02
BETHANY	6,912.12	8,064.76	14,976.88
CALHOUN	1,238.31	789.51	2,027.82
CARSON	1,420.10	1,175.00	2,595.10
COLD SPRINGS	8,082.39	6,062.45	14,144.84
DE BLIN	1,746.43	6,635.89	8,382.32
BENEZER	3,446.42	3,707.87	7,154.29
FBC COLLINS	33,069.75	18,014.75	51,084.50
FBC MT OLIVE	6,859.63	4,728.99	11,588.62
FBC SANFORD	396.00	1,205.00	1,601.00
HATHORN	1,200.00	1,614.00	2,814.00
HORN RIVER	400.00		585.00
LONG STAR	1,534.07	2,442.35	3,876.42
MT HOBBS	4,667.40	5,946.67	10,614.07
NEW HOPE	3,181.74	4,974.00	8,155.74
OAK GROVE	1,386.00	2,523.00	3,909.00
OLD HERRON	4,535.56	5,270.36	9,805.92
ORION	955.64	1,000.00	1,955.64
PHALTI	3,196.83	10,851.90	14,048.73
PRENTISS	27,033.02	13,623.98	58,657.00
ROCK HILL	3,408.16	3,514.19	6,922.35
SALEM	12,421.00	10,221.28	22,642.28
SEMINARY	7,301.75	13,516.38	20,818.13
SOCIETY HILL	6,439.00	10,979.80	17,418.80
UNION NORTH	100.00	1,245.00	1,345.00
UNION SOUTH	6,731.00	8,414.00	15,145.00
VICTORY	3,191.89	3,382.95	6,574.84
WHITESAND	17,941.00	8,046.59	25,987.59
WILLIAMS GROVE	2,361.11	3,720.00	6,081.11
ZIPPER HILL	4,515.63	2,800.00	7,315.63
TOTAL	179,634.03	188,979.73	368,613.76
FRANKLIN			
BUNKLEY	196.02	200.00	396.02
CONCORD	1,342.32	3,030.00	4,372.32
DAMASCUS	2,649.00	2,080.50	4,729.50
EDDICTON	765.00	1,710.00	2,475.00
FBC BUDE	6,774.59	9,720.35	16,494.94
HAMBURG	1,076.28	7,290.00	8,366.28
HOPEWELL	1,434.08	3,000.00	4,434.08
JOHN	3,058.20	2,680.00	5,738.20
MCCALL CREEK	640.00	845.39	1,485.39
MEADVILLE	16,956.55	9,096.54	26,053.09
MT ZION	3,030.93	985.68	4,016.61
NEW HOPE	913.86	251.50	1,165.36
NEW SALEM	2,183.00	3,065.00	5,248.00

	COOP PROGRAM	OTHER	TOTAL
NEW ELBETH	1,923.96	3,452.92	5,376.88
NEW HOPE	509.48	1,100.73	1,610.21
NEW PROSPECT	15,118.00	4,340.00	19,458.00
NORTH OXFORD	94,110.42	57,114.87	151,225.29
PARIS	1,050.00	1,514.00	2,564.00
PHILADELPHIA	801.00	4,684.00	5,485.00
SHILOH	3,585.99	3,847.98	7,433.97
TAILOH	1,270.55	1,003.51	2,274.06
TEMPLE HEIGHTS	316.85	.00	316.85
TRINITY	125.00	75.00	200.00
TULIA	2,742.65	3,391.41	6,134.06
UNION WEST	2,367.00	3,910.00	6,277.00
YELLOW LEAF	3,074.37	15,863.60	18,937.97
TOTAL	279,476.78	242,446.38	521,923.16
LAMAR			
*ASSOCIATION	.00	925.00	925.00
AUTUMN RIDGE	300.00	1,095.00	1,395.00
BAXTERVILLE	2,884.82	1,520.16	4,404.98
BELLEVUE	6,231.38	45.00	6,276.38
CALVARY	18,700.32	18,657.00	37,357.32
COAL TOWN	1,716.95	1,665.47	3,382.42
CORINTH	2,819.00	4,435.73	7,254.73
FBC LUMBERTON	6,736.74	13,021.76	19,758.50
FBC OLOH	13,862.19	5,375.22	19,237.41
FBC PURVIS	77,932.60	30,424.37	108,356.97
FBC CUMRALL	38,633.54	38,089.00	76,722.54
CATWAY	75.00	.00	75.00
GOOD HOPE	5,683.19	4,317.57	10,000.76
GREENVILLE	1,319.49	331.09	1,650.58
HICKORY GROVE	2,155.21	1,831.70	3,986.91
IMMANUEL	16,986.94	12,796.88	29,783.82
MILITARY	2,078.63	2,137.34	4,215.97
OKA-HOLA	523.77	523.77	1,047.54
ORAL	2,710.76	1,770.25	4,481.01
RICHBURG	1,952.75	6,202.00	8,154.75
TOTAL	205,303.28	142,854.98	348,158.26
LAUDERDALE			
ARKADELPHIA	4,266.23	4,941.98	9,208.21
BAILEY	.00	137.11	137.11
BETHANY	8,971.58	4,772.61	13,744.19
BRIARWOOD	4,419.00	1,082.60	5,501.60
CALVARY	4,500.00	11,355.06	15,855.06
CARMEL	3,588.30	6,588.59	10,176.89
CAUSEVILLE	5,288.71	6,458.59	11,747.30
CENTER GROVE	1,637.16	4,792.03	6,429.19
CENTRAL	13,998.00	21,760.00	35,758.00
EIGHTH AVENUE	2,996.16	4,801.44	7,797.60
FBC COLLINSVILLE	33,054.57	33,954.81	67,009.38
FBC LAUDERDALE	9,808.67	6,613.18	16,421.85
FBC MARION	9,972.61	5,223.77	15,196.38
FBC MERIDIAN	46,810.02	62,265.51	109,075.53
FELLOWSHIP	12,436.40	13,769.71	26,206.11
FIFTEENTH AVENUE	44,463.37	39,657.93	84,121.30
GOODWATER	1,152.73	2,127.72	3,280.45
HEBRON	15,539.49	2,075.00	17,614.49
HIGHLAND	74,960.63	78,022.88	152,983.51
LIBERTY	3,686.43	7,274.45	10,960.88
LONG CREEK	915.12	.00	915.12
MIDWAY	36,502.17	28,034.89	64,537.06
MT CLEAD	1,250.29	1,734.27	2,984.56
MT HOREB	3,561.81	3,880.53	7,442.34
MT OLIVE	2,450.00	3,130.20	5,580.20
MT VERNON	4,215.14	9,143.74	13,358.88
MT VIEW	2,301.48	1,381.02	3,682.50
NEW HOPE	23,053.02	19,440.76	42,493.78
NORTHCREEK	37,165.00	9,213.76	46,378.76
NORTHEAST	60.00	140.00	200.00
OAK GROVE	11,398.82	23,149.07	34,547.89
OAK HILL	16,734.09	15,445.07	32,179.16
PINE FOREST	4,316.24	16,185.90	20,502.14
POPULAR SPRINGS DR	51,869.19	41,633.71	93,502.90
RUSSELL	24,980.19	1,326.00	26,306.19
SALEM	.00	1,430.00	1,430.00
STATE BOULEVARD	20,666.89	19,983.46	40,650.35
TOOMSABA	3,140.26	4,000.97	7,141.23
TRINITY	1,432.51	821.50	2,254.01
WILSON	24,980.19	17,929.29	42,909.48
WILLOWWOOD	571,935.28	551,080.47	1,123,015.75
LAWRENCE			
ANTIOCH	.00	626.00	626.00
ARM	1,671.04	4,484.56	6,155.60
BETHEL	16,299.10	9,155.00	25,454.10
CALVARY	13,528.29	4,246.03	17,774.32
CARMEL	3,972.79	2,621.33	6,594.12
CROOKED CREEK	751.30	150.26	901.56
FAITH	1,432.55	4,758.30	6,190.85
HEPZIBAH	1,184.62	1,446.62	2,631.24
JAYES	3,033.40	2,938.40	5,971.80
MONTICELLO	56,493.36	28,386.32	84,879.68
NEW HEBRON	13,825.12	12,847.31	26,672.43
NEW HOPE	6,984.50	1,203.60	8,188.10
NEW ZION	3,655.20	1,833.00	5,488.20
NOLA	2,440.00	4,077.46	6,517.46
OKAWAY	6,311.05	4,077.46	10,388.51
OLD SILVER CREEK	4,415.47	12,626.36	17,041.83
PROVIDENCE	4,863.00	3,888.50	8,751.50
SAULS VALLEY	752.81	1,889.93	2,642.74
SHALOM	862.08	1,155.52	2,017.60
SHILOH	17,270.00	7,917.00	25,187.00
TOPEKA	4,292.28	6,034.44	10,326.72
WANNILLA	2,164.56	2,558.21	4,722.77
TOTAL	161,929.52	113,358.45	275,287.97
LEAKE			
*ASSOCIATION	.00	3,245.00	3,245.00
BETHEL	300.00	900.00	1,200.00
CEDAR GROVE	445.01	889.98	1,334.99
CONWAY	.00	575.00	575.00
CORINTH	4,165.36	11,537.71	15,703.07
EMMANUEL	2,799.00	2,799.00	5,598.00
FBC CARTHAGE	23,277.32	15,539.69	38,817.01
FREEDY	2,032.89	3,263.52	5,296.41
GOOD HOPE	591.78	.00	591.78
GOOD SHEP COMM	88.50	125.00	213.50
LENA	5,245.98	6,205.89	11,451.87
MADISON	5,044.10	2,103.82	7,147.92
MIDWAY	425.40	601.47	1,026.87
MT CARMEL	950.00	4,181.68	5,131.68
MT ZION	2,562.75	3,725.00	6,287.75
NEW HOPE	870.56	1,270.16	2,140.72
NEW PROVIDENCE	667.99	971.00	1,638.99
NEW ZION	1,121.66	1,121.66	2,243.32
PEARL HILL	450.00	450.00	900.00
PLEASANT HILL	737.00	4,182.06	4,919.06
REMUS	355.00	1,848.00	2,203.00
ROCKY POINT	3,403.37	5,338.22	8,741.59
SALEM	1,281.91	826.01	2,107.92
SPRINGFIELD	374.87	1,147.87	1,522.74
STANDING PINE	1,957.28	3,748.92	5,706.20
SUNRISE	3,977.63	12,153.63	16,131.26
THOMASTOWN	1,578.98	1,564.49	3,143.47
TRINITY	4,504.15	6,466.85	10,971.00
WALTON	1,403.60	4,950.40	6,354.00
WALNUT GROVE	4,251.03	3,801.11	8,052.14
WEST CARTRIDGE	2,357.34	6,008.35	8,365.69
WIGGINS	2,144.55	1,308.45	3,453.00
TOTAL	76,774.38	109,387.98	186,162.36
LEBANON			
BEACON	2,704.83	3,385.00	6,089.83
CALVARY	5,400.00	3,203.83	8,603.83
CARTERVILLE	55,625.26	18,466.03	74,091.29
CRESTVIEW	2,100.00	3,112.95	5,212.95
DXII	18,819.01	20,134.51	38,953.52
EASTBACHIE	964.25	964.25	1,928.50
FBC BROOKLYN	7,014.79	7,951.45	14,966.24
FBC CARNES	1,026.00	421.00	1,447.00
FBC GLENDALE	11,329.49	7,974.19	19,303.68
FBC HATTIESBURG	65,964.82	65,664.03	131,628.85
FBC MC LAURIN	4,445.70	2,823.28	7,268.98
FBC PETAL	16,785.97	8,545.28	25,331.25
GREENS CREEK	7,622.02	3,071.25	10,693.27
LINCOLN ROAD	2,638.98	2,485.00	5,123.98
LYNN RAY ROAD	1,425.09	3,181.01	4,606.10
MADONIA	37,937.67	15,262.23	53,199.90
MAIN STREET	13,999.88	23,418.03	37,417.91
MARS HILL	833.88	1,850.28	2,684.16
MAYBANK	4,575.14	3,215.69	7,790.83
NEW HOPE	714.60	428.77	1,143.37
NEW TESTAMENT	35.00	15.00	50.00
NEW ZION	4,839.81	100.00	4,939.81
NINETEENTH AVENUE	62,015.00	28,449.81	90,464.81
PETAL HARVEY	9,556.06	4,215.08	13,771.14
PINEVIEW	21,700.00	28,024.18	49,724.18
PROVIDENCE	16,082.00	13,045.37	29,127.37
RAWLS SPRINGS	1,637.90	1,467.60	3,105.50
RIDGECREST	1,249.60	1,447.60	2,697.20
SOUTH 28TH AVENUE	9,469.00	3,491.50	12,960.50
SUNRISE	119,977.46	125,149.24	245,126.70
TEMPLE HURB	18,179.57	24,942.63	43,122.20
THIRTY EIGHTH AVE	423.50	14,878.32	15,301.82
TRINITY	1,500.00	.00	1,500.00
UNIVERSITY	14,045.56	3,442.70	17,488.26
VISION	585,959.74	437,619.40	1,023,579.14
WILLOW POINTE	.00	.00	.00
TOTAL	585,959.74	437,619.40	1,023,579.14
LEE			
ABURN	27,620.31	15,345.44	42,965.75
BARNES CROSSING	69.10	137.64	206.74
BELDEN	37,016.89	17,600.13	54,617.02

	COOP. PROGRAM	OTHER	TOTAL
BETHANY	200.00	1,400.00	1,600.00
BIRMINGHAM RIDGE	2,000.00	5,057.00	7,057.00
BISSELL	3,510.08	3,444.03	6,954.11
BREWSTER	12,086.73	7,071.28	19,158.01
CALVARY	203,528.20	120,328.63	323,856.83
CAMP CREEK	10,097.25	3,372.12	13,469.37
CHESTERVILLE	1,254.09	2,604.12	3,858.21
DOTY CHAPEL	2,906.19	3,940.45	6,846.64
EAST HEIGHTS	25,209.38	49,175.56	74,384.94
EAST MT ZION	2,225.43	2,190.17	4,415.60
EUCALATUBBA	1,146.84	25.08	1,171.92
FBC BALDWIN	55,160.76	15,008.74	70,169.50
FBC CLINTON	3,268.68	800.51	4,069.19
FBC NETTLETON	8,858.97	2,959.00	11,817.97
FBC PLANTERSVILLE	11,827.50	8,811.48	20,640.98
FBC SALTILO	27,800.11	6,555.93	34,356.04
FBC SHANNON	8,552.71	4,602.79	13,155.50
FBC TIPELO	79,800.00	91,758.17	171,558.17
FBC VERONA	14,249.52	9,759.52	24,009.04
GRACE MEMORIAL	.00	780.00	780.00
HARRISBURG	185,850.00	72,320.37	258,170.37
KOINONIA	468.00	1,288.00	1,756.00
LIMESTONE	335.26	1,480.46	1,815.72
MADONIA	3,704.04	3,403.00	7,107.04
MONUMENT DRIVE	1,464.74	3,450.10	4,914.84
MT VERNON	1,709.40	4,073.94	5,783.34
NEW HOPE	7,214.85	5,677.39	12,892.24
OLD UNION	8,774.86	3,257.59	12,032.45
OPEN DOOR	200.00	.00	200.00
PALESTINE	1,403.65	1,560.91	2,964.56
PALMETTO	602.16	575.00	1,177.16
PARKSIDE	100.00	50.00	150.00
PARKWAY	22,838.48	11,752.02	34,590.50
PLEASANT GROVE	60.00	60.00	120.00
PRICEVILLE	2,285.50	3,690.94	5,976.44
RICHMOND	4,218.60	5,870.59	10,089.19
SHERMAN	6,862.24	9,344.35	16,206.59
SKYLINE TIPELO	.00	200.00	200.00
UNION CHAPEL	2,373.56	2,527.08	4,900.64
WEST JACKSON ST	51,914.38	25,576.60	77,490.98
TOTAL	840,768.46	528,518.13	1,369,286.59
LINCOLN			
*ASSOCIATION	.00	207.00	207.00
ARLINGTON	6,433.08	6,060.29	12,493.37
BETHEL	3,739.20	1,798.88	5,538.08
BIG SPRINGS	1,227.24	1,514.49	2,741.73
BOGUE CHITTO	6,034.00	3,181.00	9,215.00
BROOKWAY	609.33	600.00	1,209.33
CALVARY	14,909.82	9,448.68	24,358.50
CENTRAL	18,293.57	20,197.69	38,491.26
CLEAR BRANCH	6,191.00	4,748.00	10,939.00
EASTHAVEN	40,404.31	46,773.93	87,178.24
FAIR RIVER	16,376.93	23,185.83	39,562.76
FBC BROOKHAVEN	97,980.88	73,600.22	165,391.10
FRIENDSHIP	15,785.08	10,400.25	26,225.25
GUM GROVE	7,435.62	4,732.46	14,788.88
HARMONY	960.89	3,084.00	4,044.89
HELUCKS RETREAT	5,100.00	6,167.01	11,267.01
HOLLY SPRINGS	1,500.00	216.00	1,716.00
LITTLE BAHALA	1,349.22	1,780.85	3,130.07
MACDONIA	34,835.87	28,547.52	63,383.39
MISSION HILL	488.01	1,714.00	2,202.01
MYNARS CREEK	47.02	3,039.43	7,786.45
MONTGOMERY	6,189.96	5,785.63	11,975.59
MT MORIAH	10,847.18	15,061.38	25,908.56
MT PLEASANT	5,017.04	1,823.45	6,840.49
MT ZION	14,695.69	1,965.28	26,660.97
NEW PROSPECT	22,432.99	10,472.99	33,414.67
NEW NIGHT	4,913.70	12,655.92	17,569.62
PEARLHAVEN	7,142.07	4,912.23	6,654.30
PHILADELPHIA	6,894.02	4,873.26	14,377.28
PLEASANT GROVE	19,718.44	21,151.91	40,870.35
PLEASANT HILL	9,986.00	8,783.95	18,769.95
PRICEVILLE	164.30	1,992.17	2,156.47
SHADY GROVE	4,000.12	7,549.28	6,549.40
SOUTHWAY	4,791.17	9,330.62	14,121.79
TOPIASAW	5,434.53	1,739.57	7,174.10
UNION	4,419.05	6,005.77	10,164.82
UNION HALL	4,351.00	5,211.50	10,032.50
WELLMAN	.00	1,960.07	1,963.07
TOTAL	405,145.98	384,345.24	789,491.22
MARION			
ANTIPOCH	488.75	222.00	710.75
BANKER HILL	30,005.35	10,872.74	40,878.09
CALVARY	7,180.67	6,080.72	13,261.39
CEDAR GROVE	10,281.00	9,385.59	19,666.59
CLEAR CREEK	205.00	403.00	608.00
EAST COLUMBIA	4,927.03	3,740.93	8,667.96
EMANA	3,670.53	4,383.00	11,053.53
FBC ANUEL	3,691.00	3,146.67	6,837.67
FBC COLUMBIA	84,523.30	54,750.88	139,274.18
FOXWORTH	9,255.66	3,261.26	12,516.92
GOSS	9,309.86	6,142.35	15,452.21
HOLLY SPRINGS	1,491.96	1,770.00	3,261.96
HOLLYWOOD CREEK	1,491.96	1,770.00	3,261.96
IMPROVE	22,442.22	13,509.81	31,952.03
KOKOMO	750.00	1,440.00	2,190.00
NEW HOPE	12,600.00	10,462.65	23,062.65
NORTH COLUMBIA	4,329.44	14,320.49	56,731.94
PINE BLUFF	1,686.40	1,916.69	3,603.09
PRINCE HOOK	9,440.45	12,144.04	21,584.49
SHILOH	1,929.90	2,903.59	4,833.49
SPIRIT COTTAGE	1,071.98	2,059.99	3,131.97
WHITE BLUFF	91.00	75.00	116.00
TOTAL	264,344.16	173,508.69	437,852.85
MARSHALL			
BARTON FIRST	2,367.00	4,074.00	6,441.00
BETHANY	1,000.00	3,108.00	4,108.00
BRIDGEWAY	4,306.26	2,434.92	6,741.18
CALVARY	3,799.00	4,372.00	8,171.00
CARY CHAPEL	8,845.45	7,089.45	15,934.90
CASE	648.58	878.39	1,527.97
CEDAR HAVEN CHAPEL	966.02	1,149.15	2,115.17
CLEAR CREEK	1,210.50	1,210.50	2,421.00
FAITH	667.52	825.74	1,493.26
FBC BYHALIA	10,735.32	20,448.00	31,183.32
FBC HOLLY SPRINGS	2,400.00	2,089.98	62,846.88
FBC MT PLEASANT	2,529.96	5,283.85	7,813.81
FBC POTTS CAMP	12,818.77	9,863.14	22,681.91
FIRST SOU VICTORIA	.00	150.00	150.00
HILLCREST	416.68	1,428.00	1,844.68
MT MORIAH	657.00	1,156.00	1,813.00
REDFORD BANKS	9,440.59	.00	10,010.00
SALEM	5,996.39	23,066.55	29,062.94
SLAYDEN	15,428.52	27,775.91	43,204.43
SPRING HILL	2,588.73	6,716.96	9,305.69
VICTORIA HEIGHTS	419.43	610.43	1,029.86
TOTAL	122,954.09	146,485.69	269,439.78
METRO			
ALTA WOODS	37,306.00	3,533.12	72,837.12
BETHESDA	7,457.25	4,813.07	12,270.32
BEULAH MEMORIAL	8,005.76	3,171.49	11,178.25
BOLTON	1,238.08	4,886.06	7,991.14
BRIARWOOD DRIVE	1,238.08	7,218.71	8,456.79
BROADMOOR	202,522.35	195,630.01	398,152.36
BYRAM	200.00	500.00	700.00
CALVARY CANTON	400.00	1,469.00	1,869.00
CALVARY JACKSON	500.00	15,440.00	15,940.00
CENTER TERRACE	7,228.07	1,778.62	12,239.19
CENTRAL	1,659.29	1,941.11	3,602.40
CHAPEL HILL	212.66	850.64	1,063.30
CH OF THE HIGHLANDS	.00	1,310.50	1,310.50
COLONIAL HEIGHTS	190,348.07	59,310.00	249,658.07
COUNTRY WOODS	965.00	30,000.00	54,750.88
CRESTWOOD NEW L C	.00	.00	965.00
DAMASCUS	2,480.93	800.00	3,280.93
DEANIEL MEMORIAL	14,236.54	8,205.92	22,442.46
DAVIS ROAD	328.00	1,193.93	2,022.78
EAGLE RIDGE COMM	5,105.25	500.00	5,605.25
EDWARDS	1,000.00	4,500.00	6,000.00
FAITH-JACKSON	6,058.77	9,986.75	16,045.52
FAITHVIEW	3,762.55	2,702.32	6,464.87
FARMHAVEN	2,402.36	3,249.58	5,651.94
FBC BYRAM	11,889.96	13,284.26	25,174.22
FBC CANTON	32,454.33	20,800.00	53,900.33
FBC CLINTON	17,122.11	12,788.92	301,911.23
FBC FLORA	28,415.18	14,498.30	42,913.48
FBC JACKSON	492,730.26	484,424.90	977,155.16
FBC MADISON	134,856.49	131,860.00	266,716.49
FBC RAYMOND	40,000.02	30,665.98	70,666.00
FBC RICHLEAND	2,444.44	3,354.44	34,754.44
FBC TERRY	29,388.25	17,483.69	44,771.94
FRANKLIN	3,823.86	3,114.32	6,938.18
GOOD HOPE	835.00	1,182.20	2,017.20
GRIFFITH MEMORIAL	16,411.16	15,331.43	31,742.59
HIGHLAND COLONY	23,494.08	25,763.41	47,257.49
HILLCREST	2,550.00	5,286.50	7,836.50
HILLCREST COMMUNITY	25.00	.00	25.00
LAKESHORE	.00	2,530.84	3,870.84
LEARNED	905.01	975.00	1,880.01
LOWE LINE	177.25	.00	177.25
LUTHER	510.00	509.00	1,019.00
MCDOWELL ROAD	8,789.03	6,7-62.80	15,551.83
MIDWAY	8,760.53	5,583.00	14,343.53
MORRISON HEIGHTS	171,822.64	67,643.07	239,465.71
NEW HAVEN	538.35	269.19	807.54
NEW LIFE FELLOWSHIP	1,491.31	32,874.70	34,366.01
NORTHMINSTER	250.00	4,122.76	4,372.76
OAK FOREST	19,271.08	14,059.15	33,330.23

	COOP PROGRAM	OTHER	TOTAL
MASHULAVILLE	862.33	1,129.50	1,991.83
RUHAMA	0.00	300.00	300.00
SHUQUALAK	1,500.00	5,352.50	6,852.50
VERNON	127.00	100.00	227.00
TOTAL	27,388.92	33,198.49	60,587.41
PANOLA	0.00	3,780.98	3,780.98
ASSOCIATION	27,159.63	7,527.32	34,686.95
CALVARY	2,204.23	4,209.55	6,413.78
CORINTHIAN	1,584.00	6,635.00	8,219.00
CRESHAW	1,993.00	2,452.00	4,445.00
ENID LAKE	682.17	634.00	1,316.17
ENON	3,347.80	1,355.00	4,702.80
FBC BATESVILLE	103,536.91	45,517.36	149,054.27
FBC SARDIS	18,116.94	26,370.63	44,487.57
FIRST FAITH	907.61	1,107.27	2,014.88
GOOD HOPE	3,706.26	3,791.00	7,497.26
HEBRON	1,651.08	1,331.96	2,983.04
IMMANUEL	1,840.43	1,705.25	3,545.68
LIBERTY HILL	5,039.00	2,840.10	7,879.10
LOCKE STATION	4,594.61	3,633.02	8,227.63
MCIVOR	1,114.56	457.00	1,571.56
NORTH BATESVILLE	2,192.71	1,340.00	3,532.71
PEACH CREEK	3,032.13	7,138.00	10,170.13
PHARSALIA	2,553.00	1,194.00	3,747.00
PILGRIMS REST	3,846.96	2,757.51	6,604.47
POPE	4,434.00	3,568.00	8,002.00
SARDIS LAKE	2,693.93	4,056.09	6,750.02
SHADY GROVE	4,077.00	3,615.50	7,692.50
TOWCOWA	2,320.62	2,191.00	4,511.62
TRINITY	1,123.81	1,060.00	2,183.81
UNION	1,907.66	1,200.59	3,108.25
WEST BATESVILLE	5,000.00	1,000.00	6,000.00
TOTAL	209,122.35	144,093.13	353,215.48
PEARL RIVER	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
ASSOCIATION	9,017.90	5,544.98	14,562.88
BETHEL	3,527.26	6,451.00	9,978.26
CORINTH	2,224.39	0.00	2,224.39
CRANE CREEK	8,133.11	3,593.27	11,726.38
DEBRY	1,687.50	2,449.51	4,137.01
EMMANUEL	351.55	703.10	1,054.65
FAITH MEMORIAL	1,000.00	418.61	1,418.61
FBC CARRIERE	450.00	860.00	1,310.00
FBC NICHOLSON	1,500.00	1,571.00	3,071.00
FBC OZONA	1,257.88	1,156.07	2,413.95
FBC PCLAYNE	91,581.44	68,524.84	160,106.28
FBC POPLARVILLE	31,151.30	41,910.57	73,061.87
FLOPS TOP UNITY	979.60	3,307.44	4,287.04
FLAT CREEK	2,256.00	1,905.25	4,161.25
GOODYEAR	10,685.08	9,051.84	19,736.92
GRACE MEMORIAL	140.00	284.00	424.00
GUM POND	3,980.19	3,045.96	7,026.15
HARMONY	3,907.59	3,907.59	7,815.18
HILLCREST	1,739.34	2,647.31	4,386.65
JUNIPER GROVE	6,793.35	9,099.09	15,892.44
NEW HENLEYFIELD	3,227.33	3,052.32	6,279.65
NEW PALESTINE	10,643.23	9,551.41	20,194.64
OAK HILL	3,627.34	4,676.53	8,303.87
OLIVE	1,047.91	2,486.98	3,534.89
PARKVIEW	21,111.00	19,463.90	40,574.90
PINE GROVE	692.96	1,735.92	2,428.88
ROLLING HILLS	30,652.00	24,176.00	54,828.00
ROSELAND PARK	937.21	1,578.21	2,515.42
STEEL HOLLOW	21,407.03	39,666.25	61,073.28
UNION	25,344.01	25,734.34	51,078.35
UNITY	4,687.98	4,707.60	9,395.58
WEST POPLARVILLE	142.35	264.00	406.35
WEST UNION	1,551.40	1,551.40	3,102.80
WHITE SAND	1,234.88	1,348.12	2,583.00
TOTAL	320,504.48	312,091.56	632,596.04
PERRY	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
ASSOCIATION	500.00	1,031.00	1,531.00
ARLINGTON	2,728.00	4,272.00	6,999.00
BUCK CREEK	2,207.58	1,470.98	3,678.56
CALVARY	1,000.00	379.70	1,379.70
EASTSIDE	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
FBC BEAUMONT	1,299.83	2,083.51	3,383.34
FBC NEW ALGUSTA	3,096.00	3,096.00	6,192.00
FBC RICHMOND	38,814.00	23,997.31	62,811.31
FBC RUSSELLTOWN	7,417.60	7,940.41	15,358.01
GOOD HOPE	1,042.25	3,984.48	5,026.73
INDIAN SPRINGS	5,154.12	6,719.64	11,873.76
JANICE	478.59	1,750.59	2,229.18
LOOP ROAD	1,067.13	1,578.00	2,645.13
MEMORIAL	1,565.24	0.00	1,565.24
PROSPECT	395.00	724.00	1,119.00
SEMINARY	951.87	1,903.75	2,855.62
THOMPSON HILL	756.50	1,224.20	1,980.70
UNION	971.79	1,188.41	2,160.20
TOTAL	68,689.90	69,532.65	138,222.55
PIKE	2,289.23	2,071.25	4,360.48
BALA CHITTO	1,999.63	3,083.53	5,083.16
BLUFF SPRINGS	1,481.67	1,481.67	2,963.34
BULF CHITTO	7,887.42	1,599.53	9,486.95
CALVARY	31,744.75	19,784.30	51,529.05
CENTRAL	20,853.93	3,676.85	24,530.78
EAST MCCOMB	1,650.00	909.50	2,559.50
EAST UNION	21,270.00	6,466.96	27,736.96
FBC MAGNOLIA	81,359.35	90,809.68	172,169.03
FBC SUMMIT	68,343.92	107,715.61	176,059.53
FELLOWSHIP	2,410.22	1,310.82	3,721.04
FERNWOOD	1,500.00	5,608.00	7,108.00
FRIENDSHIP	11,606.31	6,317.97	17,924.28
HOLMESVILLE	1,871.29	1,515.00	3,386.29
IMMANUEL	300.00	0.00	300.00
JOHNSTON STATION	2,523.80	1,377.51	3,901.31
MT ZION	851.86	1,562.98	2,414.84
NAVILLA	10,711.00	16,008.69	26,719.69
NEW HOPE	1,500.00	1,025.00	2,525.00
NORTH MCCOMB	2,380.00	1,775.00	4,155.00
OSYKA	3,600.00	2,588.10	6,188.10
PROGRESS	428.22	1,897.00	2,325.22
SILVER CREEK	9,083.36	2,304.02	11,387.38
SOUTH SPRINGS	6,185.08	980.00	7,165.08
TANGIPAHOA	6,661.86	8,672.86	15,334.72
TERRY'S CREEK	18,860.60	3,328.05	22,188.65
UNITY	2,059.74	3,970.58	6,030.32
WEST MCCOMB	27,241.28	21,268.08	48,509.36
TOTAL	358,301.58	254,566.89	612,868.47
PONTOTOC	0.00	250.00	250.00
ALGOMA	5,595.59	1,201.00	6,796.59
BELLEVUE	3,289.85	4,739.00	8,028.85
BUCHANAN	2,700.00	20.00	2,720.00
CAIR	3,444.65	3,351.00	6,795.65
CENTER HILL	6,721.55	4,048.60	10,770.15
CHESTERVILLE CALVARY	4,400.00	6,040.00	10,440.00
COOKE MEMORIAL	1,400.00	3,050.00	4,450.00
COUNTY LINE	5,036.87	7,713.05	12,749.92
ECRL	24,015.32	19,697.54	43,712.86
ENDVILLE	0.00	580.00	580.00
FBC PONTOTOC	25,000.02	17,833.71	42,833.73
FBC TROY	4,411.29	4,958.05	9,369.34
FRIENDSHIP	8,047.41	5,335.19	13,382.60
FURNS	6,669.95	14,000.00	20,669.95
GREEN VALLEY	9,984.93	9,910.25	19,895.18
HARMONY	3,674.21	2,113.00	5,787.21
HEBRON	175.00	1,700.00	1,875.00
HORTON MEMORIAL	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
IMMANUEL	1,947.00	1,315.51	3,262.51
LIBERTY	1,628.84	2,740.00	4,368.84
LOCUST HILL	2,100.00	2,400.00	4,500.00
LONGVIEW	12,011.00	3,462.69	15,473.69
MIDWAY	2,988.25	3,690.02	6,678.27
NEW FAITH	1,906.85	3,406.85	5,313.70
NEW HOPE	4,000.00	2,000.00	6,000.00
NEW DALE	2,979.08	2,979.08	5,958.16
OAK HILL	3,409.14	2,345.00	5,754.14
PINEY GROVE	1,000.00	737.52	1,737.52
RANDOLPH	4,065.50	4,969.35	9,034.85
SELAH	1,780.00	2,620.00	4,400.00
SHADY GROVE	4,787.21	2,134.88	6,922.09
THAXTON	378.79	701.27	1,080.06
TOCCOPOLA	1,800.00	2,622.59	4,422.59
TOXISH	2,325.18	2,231.62	4,556.80
TROY	2,235.41	0.00	2,235.41
TURNPIKE	2,164.15	4,262.91	6,427.06
VALLEY GROVE	67,104.67	19,459.34	86,564.01
WEST HEIGHTS	1,043.64	3,221.10	4,264.74
WOODLAND	4,295.37	3,291.19	7,586.56
TOTAL	226,009.87	170,273.56	396,283.43
PRENTISS	3,686.47	3,451.00	7,137.47
CALVARY	379.04	1,537.12	1,916.16
CANDLER CHAPEL	1,567.00	2,381.00	3,948.00
CASEY CREEK	4,446.35	2,794.21	7,240.56
CRESTWOOD	24,975.09	15,179.76	40,154.85
EAST BOONVILLE	1,951.92	0.00	1,951.92
EAST MARIETTA	1,204.88	1,978.28	3,183.16
EAST PRENTISS	3,000.00	2,577.25	5,577.25
FAIRVIEW	2,369.57	1,579.72	3,949.29
FBC BOONVILLE	37,704.04	39,115.76	76,819.80

	COOP PROGRAM	OTHER	TOTAL
FBC JUMPERTOWN	758.80	482.00	1,240.80
FORREST HILL	1,085.00	.00	1,085.00
GASTON	13,886.38	17,368.37	31,254.75
HILL'S CHAPEL	444.00	222.00	666.00
INGRAM	3,097.47	7,908.38	10,995.85
MT OLIVE	8,622.30	8,622.07	17,244.37
NEW BURTON	811.41	1,454.65	2,266.06
OAK HILL	4,297.62	6,673.04	10,970.66
OSBORNE CREEK	1,319.10	1,819.10	3,138.20
PINEY GROVE	389.18	780.52	1,169.70
THRASHER	2,505.84	4,371.10	6,876.94
TRINITY	30.08	390.08	420.16
TUSCUMBIA	1,002.00	5,010.00	6,012.00
WHEELER	4,472.80	6,607.58	11,080.38
TOTAL	121,306.34	131,848.49	253,154.83
RANKIN			
ANDREW CHAPEL	844.14	2,174.14	3,018.28
ANTIOCH-BRANDON	8,964.54	4,686.78	13,651.32
ANTIOCH-FLORENCE	2,271.01	1,387.29	3,658.30
BAKESPORT SPRINGS	1,628.35	702.10	2,330.45
BETHEL	3,531.37	3,231.39	6,762.76
BRANDON	54,525.35	37,399.76	91,925.11
BRIAR HILL	50,687.00	14,992.77	65,679.77
CASTLEWOODS	11,882.22	1,337.00	13,219.22
CATO	15,518.77	9,162.14	24,680.91
CLEAR BRANCH	3,345.28	2,504.73	5,850.01
CONCORD	12,300.00	12,981.00	25,281.00
CONCROD	5,596.70	3,340.00	8,936.70
COUNTY LINE	500.00	850.00	1,350.00
CROSS ROADS	27,592.00	16,725.70	44,317.70
CROSSCROATES	75,000.80	22,278.04	97,278.84
CYPRESS	3,554.92	4,510.00	8,064.92
EASTSIDE PEARL	20,988.84	8,306.84	29,295.68
EASTSIDE PELAHATCHIE	1,050.00	1,250.00	2,300.00
FBC BRANDON	111,626.75	56,903.22	168,529.97
FBC FANNIN	21,476.33	18,823.59	40,299.92
FBC FLORENCE	25,000.02	19,755.80	44,755.82
FBC PEARL	21,710.94	19,200.99	40,911.93
FBC RICHLAND	38,273.31	31,100.59	69,373.90
FLOWOOD	20,710.00	3,193.54	23,903.54
GAILLEE	759.53	879.75	1,639.28
GRACE-BRANDON	1,400.00	1,600.00	3,000.00
GRACE-RICHLAND	3,912.55	6,497.87	10,410.42
GRANDVIEW	2,361.00	2,794.46	5,155.46
GUNTER ROAD	5,617.05	3,576.41	9,193.46
HICKORY RIDGE	5,197.97	2,476.62	7,674.59
JOHNS	1,813.71	553.76	2,367.47
LAKE HARBOR	11,980.57	7,076.04	19,056.61
LESLIEBURG	15,248.00	12,250.00	27,498.00
LIFELINE	596.58	255.67	852.25
MC LAURIN HEIGHTS	45,907.13	22,724.75	68,631.88
MEADOW GROVE	22,774.54	19,484.98	42,259.52
MOUNTAIN CREEK	4,552.00	3,968.87	8,520.87
MT PISGAH	7,082.26	4,461.61	11,543.87
MOUNTAIN VIEW	3,177.00	4,533.64	7,710.64
OAKDALE	24,404.12	7,182.32	31,586.44
PARK PLACE	88,476.78	40,548.32	129,025.10
PEARSON	8,098.92	10,090.60	18,189.52
PELAHATCHIE	31,522.00	8,471.27	39,993.27
PINEY GROVE	37,500.00	39,200.00	69,010.00
PROVIDENCE	702.27	1,203.17	1,905.44
PUCKETT	10,862.38	3,167.00	14,029.38
REHOBETH	3,066.84	2,403.35	5,470.19
ROBINHOOD	760.60	1,117.26	1,877.86
ROCK BULL	936.11	1,696.04	2,632.15
ROBINSON HILL	4,935.62	1,917.55	6,853.17
STAR	67,948.65	19,951.35	87,900.00
THE CH AT NORTHSORE	600.00	1,100.00	1,700.00
THORN HILL	239.78	239.78	479.56
TRINITY	977.89	1,651.99	2,629.88
TRUITT MEMORIAL	4,000.02	333.00	4,333.02
LUKITY	3,106.00	3,106.00	6,212.00
WALKER HILL	4,743.13	.00	4,743.13
TOTAL	962,482.26	527,916.41	1,490,398.67
SCOTT			
BETHLEHEM	4,644.07	5,081.00	9,725.07
BRANCH	7,970.20	8,858.23	16,828.43
CALVARY	824.44	1,744.17	2,568.61
CASH	917.00	1,678.00	2,595.00
CLIFTON	516.64	2,006.29	2,522.93
COOPERVILLE	454.87	172.83	627.70
EAST FOREST	36.03	675.00	711.03
EAST MORTON	600.00	635.00	1,235.00
EPHESUS	12,519.24	2,720.77	19,790.01
FBC LAKE	6,570.95	2,140.00	8,710.95
FBC MORTON	15,648.30	9,999.94	25,648.24
FOREST	37,670.35	29,555.50	67,225.85
HILLSBORO	4,535.62	1,412.46	5,948.08
HILLSDALE	3,006.00	3,312.00	6,318.00
HOMWOOD	2,737.00	1,987.00	4,724.00
HOPEWELL	864.00	4,465.00	5,329.00
LIBERTY	1,121.11	2,155.00	3,276.11
LUDLOW CREEK	1,907.22	1,605.00	3,512.22
LUDLOW	1,723.66	5,000.00	7,106.66
MT OLIVET	260.00	650.00	910.00
NEW GOOD HOPE	257.34	506.81	764.15
NEW HOME	694.09	869.00	1,563.09
NEW LIBERTY	3,388.70	7,941.74	11,330.44
NORTH CROOK	1,264.08	453.00	1,717.08
NORTH MORTON	1,264.08	3,209.55	4,473.63
OAK GROVE	800.00	1,832.00	2,632.00
PARKWAY	1,643.19	1,972.40	3,615.59
PULASKI	464.21	948.15	1,412.36
SANDRIDGE	1,335.73	300.00	1,635.73
SEASIDE	1,755.88	4,867.61	6,623.49
SPRINGFIELD	20,067.69	15,313.74	35,481.43
STEELE	2,702.70	2,558.16	5,260.86
TEMPLE	1,135.80	3,370.00	4,505.80
TOTAL	152,465.56	138,334.80	290,800.36
SHARKEY- ISSAQUENA			
CARY	1,119.05	1,255.18	2,374.23
DEER CREEK	3,109.05	4,979.09	8,088.14
FBC ANCUILLA INC	7,603.99	280.00	7,883.99
FBC ROLLING FORK	9,616.08	10,712.21	20,328.29
STRAIGHT BAYOU	1,319.39	2,592.78	3,912.17
VALLEY PARK	2,445.00	2,592.78	5,037.78
TOTAL	28,002.42	27,445.40	55,447.82
SIMPSON			
BETHLEHEM	156.18	1,085.54	1,241.72
BELLEVUE	1,021.27	2,328.22	3,349.49
CALVARY BRAXTON	950.40	2,212.80	3,163.20
CAMPBELLS CREEK	.00	450.00	450.00
COAT	250.00	250.00	500.00
CORINTH	13,539.08	11,689.88	25,228.96
DIO	451.59	1,808.17	2,259.76
DRY CREEK	6,675.00	6,807.96	13,482.96
EASTSIDE	1,812.46	1,310.56	3,123.02
FBC BRAXTON	3,921.27	1,880.00	5,801.27
FBC MACGEE	56,709.41	47,652.91	104,362.32
FBC MENDENHALL	42,572.05	29,009.17	71,581.22
FELLOWSHIP	902.75	902.75	1,805.50
FOUNTAINVIEW	15,743.00	11,744.48	27,487.48
GOSHEN	610.79	610.42	1,221.21
GUM SPRINGS	200.00	950.00	1,150.00
HARRISVILLE	5,571.55	13,125.55	18,697.10
HOLLY GROVE	2,531.33	4,133.33	6,664.66
ILUTER	1,389.00	356.00	1,945.00
KENNEDY SPRINGS	3,465.00	1,350.00	4,815.00
MACDONIA	2,659.75	4,288.39	6,948.14
MACGEE PLEASANT HILL	1,054.61	527.32	1,581.93
MAIN STREET	3,656.09	3,404.89	7,060.98
MT ZION	3,455.60	2,809.46	6,265.06
NEW BETHLEHEM	1,043.87	2,267.68	3,311.55
NEW HOME	1,043.87	2,267.68	3,311.55
NEW ZION	2,788.04	1,253.55	4,041.59
OAK GROVE	2,789.09	7,461.62	10,250.71
OVERFLOW CHURCH	105.00	.00	105.00
PALESTINE	600.00	950.00	1,550.00
PINE GROVE	1,320.00	2,350.00	3,670.00
PINOLA	530.00	790.00	1,320.00
PLEASANT HILL	639.90	500.00	1,139.90
PLEASANT VALLEY	440.00	880.00	1,320.00
POPLAR SPRINGS	3,511.19	2,005.40	5,516.59
SHIVERS	956.37	1,294.82	2,251.19
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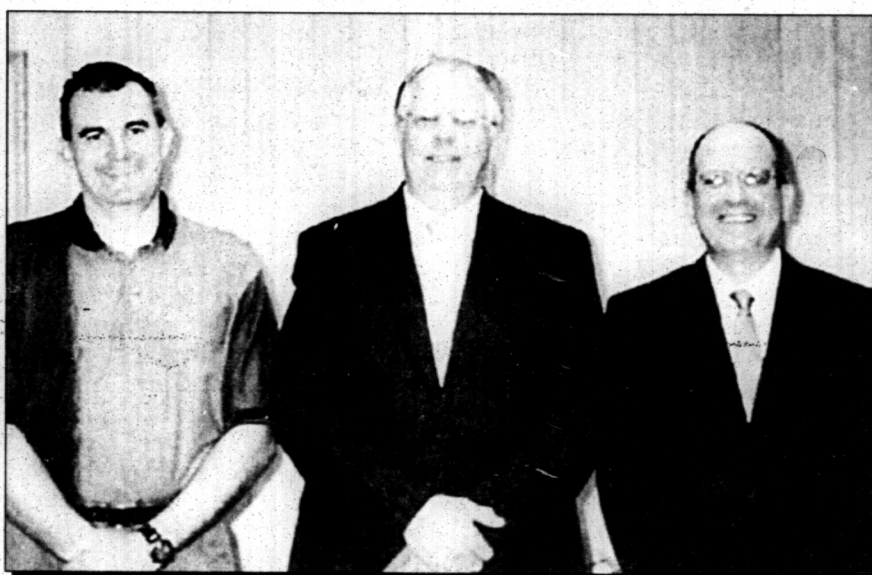
1. GAs, Rolling Creek Church, Quitman



2. Bible Drillers, Vaiden Church, Vaiden



3. Deacon Ordination, Hebron Church, Jones County



4. Deacon Ordination, Ebenezer Church, Attala County

1. The GAs of **Rolling Creek Church, Quitman**, prayed for missionary children and wrote letters to a missionary child to let them know that they were being prayed for. Shown are Kate Ware, Courtney Chancellor, Bethany Rivers, Mindy Sisson, and Casey Sisson.
2. **Vaiden Church, Vaiden**, congratulates their Bible drillers, shown.
3. **Hebron Church, Jones County**, ordained Mark Reddock June 26 as a deacon. Shown is Regina Reddock, Reddock, and pastor Tommy Davis.
4. **Ebenezer Church, Attala County**, held deacon ordination services for Chet Ferguson and Jeff Parks Apr. 10. Shown are Ferguson, pastor Larry Harvey, and Parks.
5. Kay Arthur conference, **First Church, Jackson**; Aug. 26, Precept Leader Day, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Aug. 27, A Day with Kay, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Register online at www.precept.org or call (800) 763-8280 to reserve your place. Early bird pricing until Aug. 8.

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Clue: X = B

Have fun with cryptography and exercise your Bible knowledge. A King James Version Bible verse has been encoded by letter substitution. The same letter is substituted throughout the puzzle. Solve by trial and error. Answer to last week's puzzle: John Six: Forty-Five.

COLLEGE NEWS

For the second consecutive year, William Carey College Athletics Director Steve Knight has been named the Gulf Coast Athletic Conference and NAIA Region XIII Athletics Director of the Year. Knight is entering his 18th year as the Carey AD, and is also entering his 25th season as the Crusaders Head Men's Basketball Coach.

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6. Deacon Ordination, Park Haven Church, Laurel



7. Addy and Sanders, Sunrise Church, Carthage

6. **Park Haven, Laurel**, ordained Jerry Albritton as deacon. Shown are Wayne Tolbert, Jimmy Downs, pastor Jim Balliett, Albritton, Charles Gordon, Lewis Parker, Bilie Ishee, and Charles Tolbert.

Tamara Hillmer, and Dee Whisenant, Holly Springs. Cost is \$20. For information, call (662) 252-2627.

7. David Addy, pastor of **Sunrise Church, Carthage**, is shown with recently licensed pastor John Sanders. Sanders is available for interim or pulpit supply; call (601) 267-5115.

10. **Morrison Heights Church, Clinton**, is hosting Dick and Mel Tunney in concert July 31, 6 p.m. Free admission.

11. **Lakeland Church, Itawamba County**, is hosting a youth rally Aug. 4-5; hamburger cookout each night, 6 p.m.; worship, 7 p.m. Guest speakers are Tracey McMillan and David Perry.

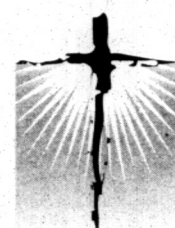
8. **Beacon Church, Hattiesburg**, will celebrate their 40th anniversary Aug. 6-7. Sat., reception for present and former members, 5-7 p.m.; Sun., Bible study, 9:45 a.m.; worship, 11 a.m.; dinner, 12:30 p.m.; song and praise, 1:30 p.m. Keith Manuel, New Orleans, speaking; John Kittrell, Shuqualak, music.

12. Bill Baker, former pastor of **First Church, Clinton**, and now a member of the William Carey College faculty, will debut his new country/gospel CD at the old sanctuary of the church Aug. 4, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Free admission.

9. **First, Holly Springs**, is hosting their 11th annual ladies' conference, Time Out for Women, Aug. 19-20. Speakers include Marsha Waldrep, Fort Smith, Ark.; Rita Sweat, Amory; and Beth Ford, Olive Branch. Musicians include Sharon Williams,

13. **Harperville Church, Harperville**, will host the Providentials Quartet July 30, 7 p.m. A love offering will be taken; for more information, call (601) 625-8683 or (601) 469-3972.

14. **Providence Church, Carrollton**, will host Promised Quartet, Coila, July 31, 6 p.m.; fellowship following.



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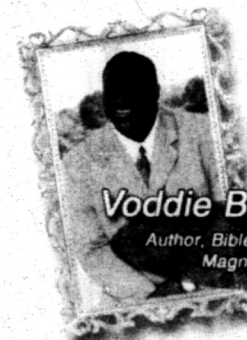
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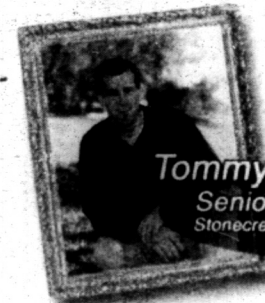
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FAMILY BIBLE STUDY

Working for God

2 Thessalonians 3:3-15

By Rhoda Royce

U.S. society is known for its work ethic. Our typical work-week is longer than many in Western Europe and getting longer. Executives and professionals feel the stress of careers where responsibility is high and communication never stops, especially now that many businesses are international. Lower-paid workers often must work two or more jobs just to scrape by, leaving time for little else other than work. So summarizing a Sunday school lesson on the value of work seems a bit like preaching to the choir; yet the inclusion of this session in our unit on principles of victorious Christian living can remind us of the spiritual value of the work we do each day.

Continue Doing Good (3:3-5) — Paul and Silas witnessed of

Christ in Thessalonica on Paul's second missionary journey. The persecution aroused by his preaching necessitated a nighttime exit to Berea (Acts 17). Out of his deep concern for the Thessalonian Christians and to address some particular concerns, Paul wrote two letters. In his first letter, Paul had admonished the Christians to "mind your own business and work with your hands" (1 Thess. 4:11). Apparently, a reminder was once again needed, but Paul delivered a bit of love before the reminder. First, he expressed his confidence in God's faithfulness to strengthen the Christians to withstand the onslaughts of the evil one. Then he expressed his own assurance that the Thessalonians were doing and would continue to do what he required of them. Verse 5 delivers one of the loveliest benedictions



Royce

of Scripture. How different our lives would become if our hearts were directed into God's love and Christ's perseverance, the love that sent God's Son as Savior and the perseverance with which Christ endured the cross.

Consider Others (3:6-9) — In his ministry among them, though he had a right to support, Paul had worked to provide for his own needs, showing a good example to the new Christians. Now he advised them to follow his example and to "keep away" from Christian brothers who would not. Why were these Christians refusing to lead productive lives? Perhaps they were so interested in the Lord's coming and various theories about it that they lost interest in earthly concerns. Maybe some had low regard for manual labor or had lived dependent lives. Perhaps some were taking advantage of the Christian love and hospitality afforded them by other Christians. Whatever the reason, Paul demanded in the Lord's

name that the Christians note and discipline those who persisted in this disorderly behavior.

Behave Responsibly (3:10-13) — In a bold aphorism, Paul summed up his message, "If anyone isn't willing to work, he should not eat." Note that this verse does not state that anyone who isn't working for money shouldn't eat; it refers, instead, to the willingness to work. Christians are called upon to share with the disabled, the aged, and other persons who cannot work. Many families wisely choose for family members to invest their time and energies in their children and other family members rather than in paid employment. Some Christians whose circumstances allow it give most of their time to various Christian ministries. Such Christian servants exhibit a great willingness to work, and our society should give them more, not less, respect. Yet Paul's basic message is clear: laziness is not allowed.

Persons who are not busy have ample opportunity to become busybodies. Such persons interfere in others' lives and

ministries, inhibiting the work of the God and the reputation of God's people. Paul admonished "such people" to "settle down and earn the bread they eat." No one, then or now, gets a bad reputation for this quiet, productive kind of behavior.

Verse 13 summarizes the daily perseverance God calls us to display. We may get tired while doing good, but we must never get tired of doing good, of doing what is right.

Relate Redemptively (3:14-15) — Once again, Paul required that the Christians note and decline from associating with a "brother" who would not follow Paul's admonitions. Yet he advised the Christians to remember that such a disorderly Christian was not an enemy. The discipline he must receive was to be given as a warning for his benefit.

This week, we can be a mighty force for good. The attitude with which we do our everyday tasks can witness to others of the love of God and the perseverance of Christ.

Rhoda Royce is a member of First Church, Clinton.

EXPLORE THE BIBLE

How to Live With Hope

Ezekiel 43:1-12

By Don Schuman

For years, Ezekiel had been regarded by his countrymen as a "doom and gloom" prophet. However, because he was proclaiming the true Word of the Lord, his prophecies came about exactly as foretold. Now the nation believed him, but they had fallen into despair. Jerusalem and the Temple had been destroyed. Many had been carried away into captivity, never to return. It was a time of utter hopelessness.

In the final chapters of Ezekiel, the message is reversed from judgment and destruction to one of hope and restoration. Lamar Cooper summarizes the final chapters of Ezekiel as the promise of hope (33-37), the triumph of hope (38-39), and the realization of hope (40-48) (The New American Commentary,

Ezekiel, p. 351). Christians today have a strong hope founded upon God's Word.

1. Reality of God's Presence (Ezek. 43:1-7b)

In chapters 10-11 of Ezekiel, the prophet described the "glory of the Lord" departing the Temple. Here in these final chapters, the Word of the Lord declares that the glory will return to His Temple. This time, however, the people will have abandoned their idolatry and would remain faithful forever. Their hope returned because God's presence would return.

The apostle Paul wrote, "For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope." (Romans 15:4)



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We today also have hope because of the reality of God's presence in our hearts. Jesus ends the Great Commission in Matthew 28:20 with the promise to be with us always. We have the hope, the assurance of His presence (Hebrews 13:5).

2. Results of God's Presence (43:7c-9)

Because of Israel's idolatrous abominations, she was judged by God (Ezekiel 8). In verse 9, God called the nation to forsake idol worship and He would abide with them forever.

We have a present hope because God is present. Because He is present, we are called to forsake sin. Titus 2:11-14 — "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Who

gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." As Christians, if we look inward, we mope. If we look outward, we grope. But as we look upward, we hope.

God's presence in our hearts is expressed in bold witnessing and Christ-like love. Romans 5:5 "And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us."

3. Redemptive Purpose of God's Presence (43:10-12)

Not only do we have a "know so" salvation from knowing His presence in our hearts, we have a "hope so" salvation in Jesus Christ. But our hope is in that which is so. Our hope is not wishful thinking; our hope is faithful confidence in the power of God. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, To an inheritance incorruptible, and

undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time" (1 Peter 1:3-5).

But not only do we have hope in the present by salvation, we have a hope in the future. 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18 "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words." What a glorious hope awaits us!

One of Ezekiel's repeated purposes of God's actions throughout the book was so that the nations would then know "that I am the Lord." We have the bright hope of a future earth where all the nations will know that Jesus is Lord.

Schuman is pastor of Hamilton Church, Ashland.

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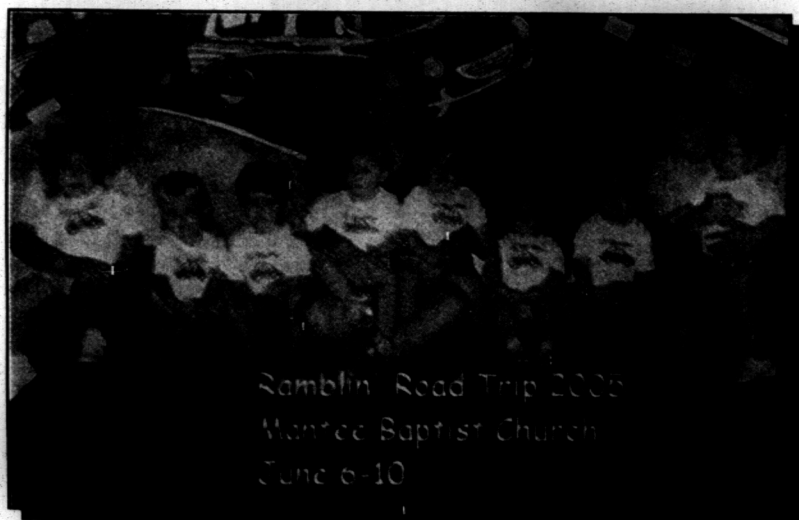
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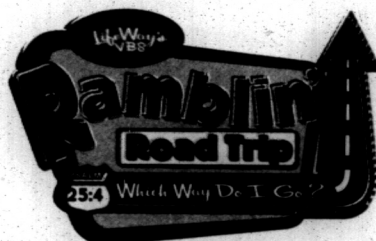
Sunrise Church, Carthage



Mantee Church, Mantee

Sunrise Church, Carthage: Shown are the church's VBS participants.

Mantee Church, Mantee: Shown are the "Lil' Ramblers" of the church's VBS: Whitney Winter, Wyatt Parker, Brady Boyd, Hayden Crump, Russ Hillhouse, Jenna Claire Cooper, Brooks Brand, and David Farrior; helpers shown are Blair Huffman, Cynthia Hillhouse, and Amanda Hinkey.



REVIVALS & HOMECOMINGS

Antioch Church, Columbus: Homecoming, July 31, 11 a.m., followed by noon meal and afternoon praise service, 1:15 p.m.; Jerry Lundy, Louisville, speaker.

Bethlehem Church, Winona: Revival, Aug. 7-10; Sun., 5 p.m.; Mon.-Wed., 7 p.m.; Chester Carlisle, speaking; Glen Holifield, music; David Rogers, pastor.

Cascilla Church, Cascilla: Revival, Aug. 7-12; Sun., 10:45 a.m., followed by covered dish lunch and 5:30 p.m.; Mon.-Fri., 7 p.m.; Ed McDaniel, speaker; Duke and Linda Barnes, music; Thomas Bruce, pastor.

Cedar View Church, Olive Branch: Homecoming, Aug. 14; worship 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.; potluck luncheon, noon; Bluff City Quartet, 1 p.m.; Richard Hamlet, speaker.

County Line Church, Dossville: Homecoming, July 31; James Burrell, pastor, speaking; lunch at noon followed by afternoon singing.

Kennedy Springs Church, Magee: Revival, Aug. 7-10; Sun., 10:50 a.m., followed by lunch and an afternoon of preaching; Mon.-Wed., 7 p.m.; John Temple, evangelist.

Little Bahala Church, Wesson: Homecoming and Revival, Aug. 14-17; Sun., 10:30 a.m. worship, followed by lunch; Mon.-Wed., 7 p.m.; Hal Hatten, speaker; Hubert Greer, song leader; Sharon King, pianist; Hosanna, special music, Sunday.

New Henleyfield Church, Carriere: Homecoming and 60th anniversary, July 31, 10 a.m.

Pleasant Hill Church, Columbus: Revival, July 31-Aug. 3; Sun., 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Mon.-Wed., 7 p.m.; Mark Worsham, Bogue Chitto, evangelist; Steve Reynolds, Macon, music.

Pleasant Hill Church, Bogue Chitto: Homecoming, Aug. 7, 10:30 a.m. Clarence Young, guest speaker; Debbie Hudson, Houston, MS, guest singer. Revival, Aug. 14-17; 7:00 p.m. each night. Gene Douglas, evangelist; Ken Adams, music; Floyd Higginbotham, interim pastor.

Sardis Church, Smith County: Homecoming and Revival, Aug. 7-10; Sun., worship, 10:30 a.m., Pete Pearson, speaking; lunch at noon, followed by song service led by Bob Arender, music director; Mon.-Wed., 7 p.m.; Troy Hobson, speaking; Bob Arender, music; Scott Magnum, pastor.

Society Hill Church, Oakvale: Revival, Aug. 7-12; Sun., 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Arlis Nicholas, Sunday evening service; Mike Grenn, evangelist; Rob Sheppard, music; Billy Paul Cooper, minister of music; Tommy Broom, pastor.

Trinity Church, Pearl: Revival, July 31; Jeffrey Parker, Jackson, speaking; Linda Parman, music; Kenny Goff, pastor.

Union Church, Tylertown: Revival, July 31-Aug. 5; Sun., 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.; Mon.-Fri., 7 p.m.; Gene Douglas, evangelist; Todd McDaniel, music; Miller Moak, pastor.

Valley Park Church, Valley Park: Homecoming, Aug. 7; worship, 11 a.m., followed by covered dish lunch; Dennis Salley, speaking; Michael Ensign, pastor.

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